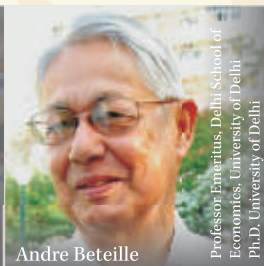


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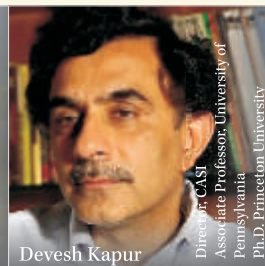
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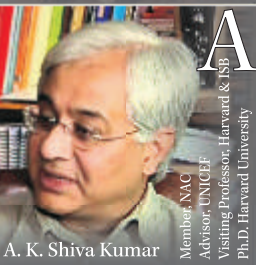
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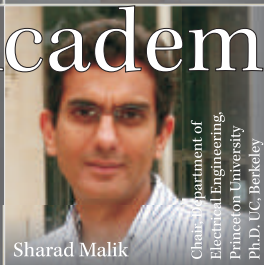
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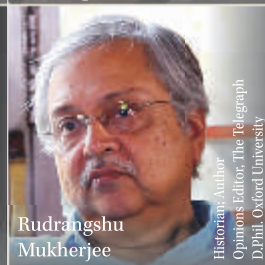
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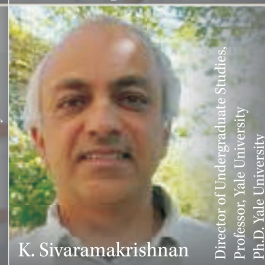
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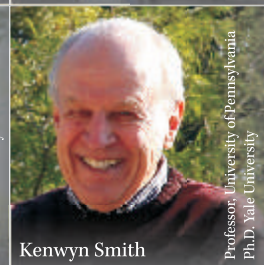
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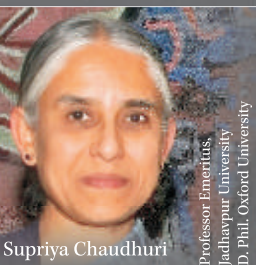
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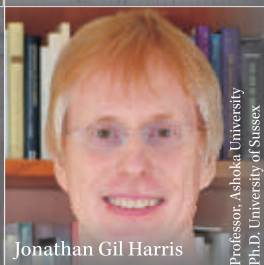
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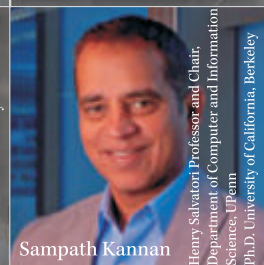
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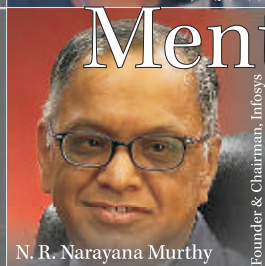
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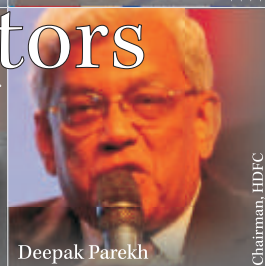
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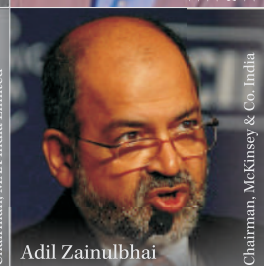
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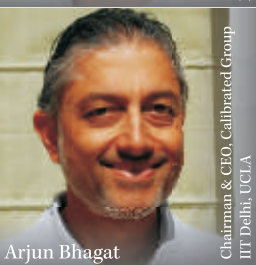
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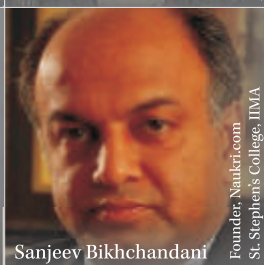
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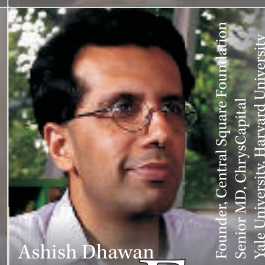
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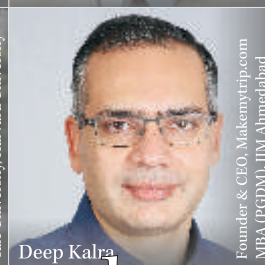
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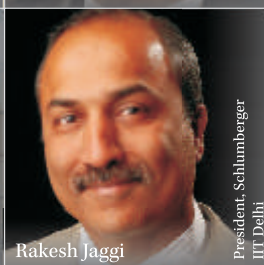
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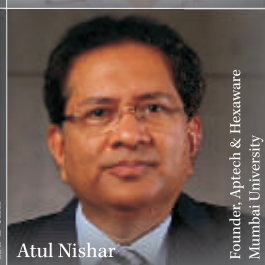
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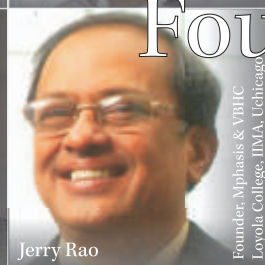
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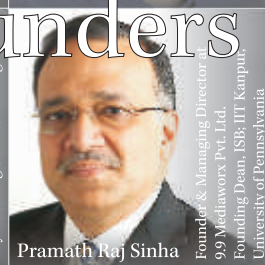
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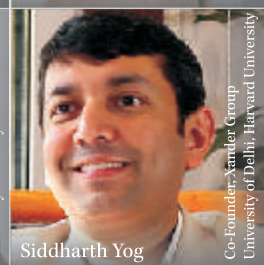
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Bringing Ivy League Education to India

Ashoka University offers a liberal education at par with the best in the world. We take our inspiration from a variety of sources: from Emperor Ashoka's commitment to knowledge and peace to the Ivy League's emphasis on rigour and breadth. Our students will have the opportunity to explore a range of academic disciplines before deciding where their passion lies. Ashoka University seeks to restore the balance in higher education in India. By fostering both breadth of learning and depth of knowledge in our students, we seek to restore the balance in higher education in India.

Our fully residential campus is spread over twenty-five acres at the Rajiv Gandhi Education City (RGEN), Kundli, Haryana in the National Capital Region. State-of-the-art technology enables a seamless learning environment. The environment-friendly campus also provides world-class sports and fitness facilities, with outdoor and indoor stadiums for cricket, tennis, basketball, squash, swimming and badminton.



Academic Partners



Among the top eight Ivy League universities



Carleton College
One of the best liberal arts colleges in the US



Ranked first in Europe for Political & International Studies



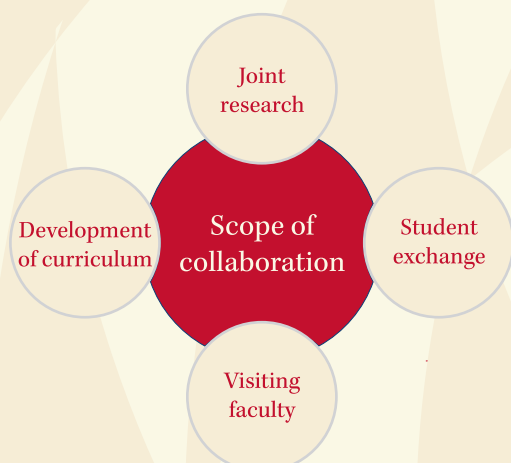
One of the eight public Ivies and a renowned research university



Ranked among the top 20 universities in the world



Students can attend summer programmes at these institutions and take classes for credit there during their time at Ashoka.



Our Undergraduate Programme Structure

Ashoka University offer a three-year BA/BSc Honours in the student's choice of major. Students can then do an optional one-year Post-Graduate Diploma in Advanced Studies, Research and Practice, called the Ashoka Scholars Programme.

Students will explore a broad set of disciplines through twelve Foundation Courses. Each student will select an area of specialisation from a list of pure majors and a set of interdisciplinary programmes, based on his or her interest and aptitude. This will allow students to discover their passion, develop a multidisciplinary perspective and have a holistic learning experience. Students will participate in intensive seminars to help develop their reading, writing, communication and critical thinking skills.

In the fourth year, Ashoka's unique one-year Ashoka Scholars Programme will combine a grass-roots, real-life, academically rigorous research project with a set of electives that prepares them for higher studies, research, teaching, corporate jobs, non-profit careers or entrepreneurship. In its first term, the programme will cover the Ashoka Quest, a unique experiential leadership project; in its second term, students will choose a set of four to six electives from across the university that prepare them for their area of career or research interest. If taken in sequence, the three-year programme together with the post-graduate diploma programme will also meet the requisite four years of college-level education for post-graduate study in the US, Europe, and elsewhere.

Our Schools, Centres and Curriculum Structure



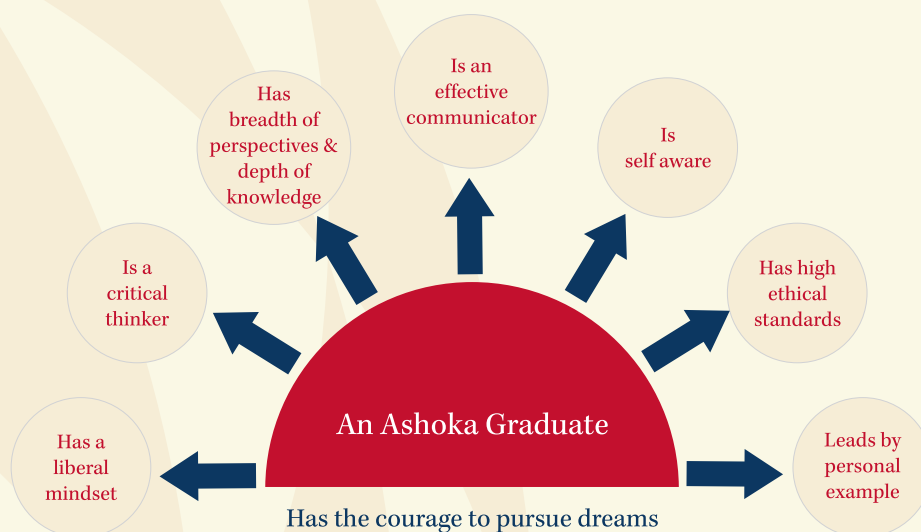
Foundation Courses, Majors and Minors

Foundation Courses: Areas of Study	Programmes: Majors & Minors		
	Pure Majors & Minors	Interdisciplinary Majors & Minors	Other Minors
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Liberal Education at Ashoka University

At Ashoka we believe that the university is a space for intellectual growth, exploration and expression. It is here that students are equipped to think critically, develop a spirit of inquiry and study various intellectual traditions. Together these facilitate the emergence of ethical, sensitive and responsible members of society. In keeping with such a holistic model of learning, we have embraced the liberal education ideal as our philosophy. A liberal education transcends the boundaries between arts and sciences, theory and practice, careers and lives. Our students will learn to seek answers for themselves. This will not only enable them to expand their intellectual horizons but also prepare them for fulfilling careers. Students grounded in a liberal education will be able to analyse difficult problems, formulate precise questions, and think about any issue from multiple perspectives.

- **Higher education and research:** In the best liberal education institutions abroad, over 95% in a class pursue the highest degree possible in their chosen discipline. In India it is less than 1%. A good foundation in liberal education will inculcate a love for learning and pursuit of knowledge in the students.
- **Professional skills:** The 2012 NASSCOM Report shockingly revealed that only 25% of graduates in India are found employable. Some of the reasons highlighted by the report are lack of communication and leadership skills, analytical reasoning, and critical thinking. These are the strengths of a broad-based liberal education that Ashoka offers with its Centre for Writing & Communication.
- **Entrepreneurship and leadership:** Aspiring entrepreneurs need to be creative thinkers with an ability to solve complex problems. They also need a strong grounding in the values of perseverance, innovation, passion, ethics and social responsibility. Ashoka's liberal education system supported by the Centre for Entrepreneurship and Leadership is geared to inspire and support young graduates to develop unique ideas and build enterprises that will have an impact on the world.



Admissions Process & Timeline

Selection Criteria:

Evaluation of candidates takes into account:

1. Intellectual curiosity
2. Academic performance
3. Extra-curricular achievements
4. Personal context

Process:

A. Register online or download the application form

B. Submit the Application Dossier

1. Academic Performance through class X, XI and XII, or equivalent
2. Extra-curricular activities
3. Essays
4. Letters of Recommendation (optional)
5. SAT score (optional)

C. Personal Interview (if shortlisted)

Our Flagship Postgraduate Programme

The Young India Fellowship

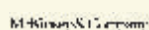


The Young India Fellowship started with the vision of developing committed leaders through a multi-disciplinary programme guided by eminent scholars and visionaries of our time. From a class of 57 students in 2011, the programme's intake grew to 100 in 2012, and 200 students in 2014.

Over the last two years, Fellows have been supported by scholarships worth INR 13 crores to ensure that every deserving candidate is able to attend this programme without any financial constraint. The YIF is one of the most sought-after programmes in the country and attracts graduates from institutions all over India — the IITs, IIMs, National Law Schools, University of Delhi and National Institutes of Design.

Placements

Ashoka University is an initiative led by eminent business leaders and scholars who recognise the current limitations of college education in India. An Ashoka education builds skills and competencies that will prepare students not only for their first jobs but to be socially aware and responsible individuals. With a dedicated Career Advancement Office, we have supported our graduates in pursuing careers of their choice across organisations in diverse sectors. Some of these organisations are listed below:



Media Talk



"Indian engineering colleges don't give you enough flexibility... for instance, you cannot study computer science and economics. But at Ashoka I can, and there's not much difference between Ashoka's curriculum and [Carnegie Mellon University's]" Vijay Lingam, Ashoka University, Class of 2018 (29 June, 2014)



"A country obsessed with engineers and doctors is starting to think differently... Ashoka University is perhaps the most ambitious attempt so far to set up a world-class university in liberal arts in India." (11 May, 2014)

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Why should a student apply early to Ashoka University?

We follow rolling admissions, which means there will be more seats and hence a higher chance of selection. There is also a higher chance for deserving students to earn need-based scholarships, which will progressively decrease in later rounds.

2. When do students have to declare their majors?

Applicants have to indicate their 'preferred major' at the time of the application. However, this is not binding in any way. They will have to declare their final major only at the end of the second year and this could be the same as their 'preferred major' or different from it. The Foundation Courses will offer ample opportunity to explore different disciplines and help them finalise their area of interest and specialisation from a list of pure and interdisciplinary majors. Students can also choose to take more courses in their preferred major in the first two years.

3. How many full-time faculty will Ashoka University have?

The undergraduate programme's second batch will begin classes in September 2015 with 40 full-time faculty members, 30 tutors and visiting faculty from reputed institutions around the world.

4. With which university is Ashoka affiliated?

Only colleges are affiliated to Universities. Established under the Haryana Private Universities Act, 2006, Ashoka University is an autonomous university in its own right. Hence, it does not need to be affiliated to any other university.

For fee structure and application timelines, please refer to www.ashoka.edu.in



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