

Holistic Education

Engineering your Career and Character with care:

The institute passionately believes in its principles of vision and mission and strives hard towards achieving its promise of providing holistic education. We believe that a strong and honest character is more important than just having a career. Career may change, but an unshakeable character is a necessity for a life of contentment.

CAREER:

At our institute, we place huge importance on the following in view of building a good career.

Knowledge:

Engineering and general knowledge are of paramount importance for a technical career. In addition to classroom teaching based on the prescribed syllabus, institute also have various invited technical talks, short term workshops, lab experiments outside the curriculum and many more to augment the knowledge of the students.

Skills:

The institute holds mini project competitions for all students annually. The students participate and showcase their technical skills, coupled with their fertile imaginations. The Placement Department trains the students regularly on soft skills and personality development. Technical skills are honed by regular hands-on training sessions on machines and on software. Many of our alumni are in consensus on the effectives of the above mentioned practices in shaping their communication skills and helping them get rid of stage fear and associated impediments.

Innovation:

Innovation Club encourages innovative ideas, which is also committed to cultivate innovation through the mini project initiatives that are undertaken regularly. Brainstorming sessions with experts, creative ideas being implemented and projects being taken forward for the benefit of the society and overall development of students are the objectives of this club. Many students have come up with thoughtful ideas, and have made them work with support from the club, staff and the management.

Entrepreneurship:

In addition to working at companies, careers can also constitute starting up one's own business or venture. Such initiatives also succeed in providing employment for many. The institute has an Entrepreneurship Development Cell that strives to provide all aspiring students to realize their entrepreneurship dreams. Resource persons from KSSIDC have presented talks on how students can set up their own small to medium industries by taking full advantage of the various government schemes available. A few of our alumni have also started their own establishments.

CHARACTER:

SMVITM strongly believes that the character of students is influenced by following factors.

Leadership:

The institute provides ample platforms for students to nurture and hone their leadership characteristics. Students showcase their leadership capabilities during all major institute activities like – Annual day, Varnotsava, conferences etc., Students are provided with opportunities to participate in "Lead Prayana" which inculcates leadership with social responsibility.

Social responsibility:

The institute aims at creating socially responsible engineers, who will be able to contribute positively for socio economic development of our country. Institute's NSS unit undertakes camps and interactive sessions with notable figures from time to time. Community club, Human rights cell are working in tandem to instil human values, ethics and humility in students who can respond to the needs of society. Through "Atal Tinkering Lab", students are sharing their knowledge with students of identified schools of the community. Under "Unnat Bharat Abhiyan", they are conducting surveys and contributing for the upliftment of community.

Cultural interests:

The institute believes that cultural activities in its premises, as well as at other institutes by our students will have significant impact on their overall growth. The institute has its own Yakshagana(local folk art) team comprising students, faculty and staff that performs at every Annual Day and other occasions. The institute also has a team of performers playing 'chende', who create an atmosphere of divinity during every major occasion in the institute. There are a large number of students who are talented in singing, dancing, painting, rangoli, skits, mimes and several other performing acts. The Extra Curricular team of the institute

conducts "Manthana", a series of competitions that are held over a period of several days each year for all interested students and staff. An annual event named "Varnothsava" is held every year, which is an inter-collegiate Techno-Cultural fest in which a large number of students from across the state participate enthusiastically. Correspondingly, the institute also encourages its students to participate at events held at other institutes. Due to this unfailing encouragement, the students have bagged numerous prizes both in the institute as well as outside.

Environmental aspects:

With the lush green campus, away from urban life, the campus feels closer to nature. The campus is clean and green, with the major part kept unexploited as a natural forest. The ECO club and NSS wing of the institute schedules Vanamahotsava programs every year, wherein respected members of the general public as well as alumni are invited to plant saplings of trees in the campus. The students are taking initiatives, along with "Swacchh Bharat Abhiyan" to spread awareness about environmental concerns within and outside campus, through street plays, cleanliness drives etc.

Even while choosing topic for their projects, major driving factors have always been social, environmental concerns.

Spiritual awareness:

The institute is owned and run by Shri Sode Vadiraja Math Education Trust, which belongs to the Sode Matha, one among the eight Vaishnava mathas of Udupi with over 800 years of lineage. Spirituality is an essence in day to day activities at the institute. The pontiff of the matha delivers spiritually rich talks regularly to staff and students of the Institute. Pontiffs of the other 7 mathas also visit the campus occasionally and help in the spiritual uplift of the institute.

Yoga sessions/courses are conducted regularly to channel the energy towards spirituality. Programs such as "Spiritual retreat" which are rich in spiritual content, are being arranged in recent times, to provide an opportunity to uplift one's spiritual quotient.

There is a shrine dedicated to the worship of the guardian deity of the matha, Shree Bhootaraja, near the entrance of the institute. Annual Pooja is held for the same, coinciding with the annual Pooja at Naga shrine. The atmosphere of the institute is spiritually charged perpetually as a result.

