

Principal's Remarks....

Seismic changes in economy under the impact of globalization and technological advancement have changed the form and content of education in India. Rapid economic growth has opened up immense opportunities for youngsters to craft a successful career for themselves. But such prospects are no doubt always accompanied by fresh challenges. Unlike in the past, students when they step out of colleges are now expected to not only have knowledge but also be already skilled. That is where the need to augment what gets taught in a college becomes important.

Realizing the urgency of enhancing the skill-sets of our students, Ahmednagar College has been offering various short term courses. As long back as in 1996, we implemented UGC's initiatives in providing vocational component as an added educational content to our regular students. We even designed and introduced such pioneering course as Drug Chemistry. Orienting the academic profile towards professional education we offer courses in Business Administration, Biotechnology, Computer Science and Computer Applications.

The demands of the employment market today requires that students come industry-ready, possess multiple skill-sets, and be prepared to take on the onus of leading projects. We at Ahmednagar College have always aimed at transforming our students into capable and responsible individuals. As capabilities come to be redefined under newer circumstances, Ahmednagar College alertly and readily responds to these developments and revises and renews its educational content and delivery.

Today, time has come for our students to not only excel in their degree education but also acquire inter-disciplinary skills. We want to create adequate opportunities for our students to acquire these skills within our campus thus saving their time, energy and money. Hence, we have now embarked upon a new initiative and have launched a slew of Value Added Courses which are of immediate relevance in the job market. We want our students to not only have access to do these courses but also be able to learn from the best. Further, some of these courses are priced exorbitantly by private institutes, which burdens our students.

Hence, to lessen the economic burden on them and to enhance their employability, Ahmednagar College will be offering a very wide range of courses with practical utility. Many of these courses are aimed at making students industry-ready, some target to make them entrepreneurs. The basic idea behind this initiative is that all of a student's educational or training needs to become successful in life be available on the Ahmednagar College campus. We do not want to restrict access to these courses for only the bonafide students of the College. In fact, anyone can benefit from these courses regardless of their age, eligibility or admission status.

I hope that this new initiative will be happily welcomed by students, parents and even employers. I would like every student of Ahmednagar College make the best use of these opportunities and emerge as more competent, capable and complete individuals.



Dr. R J Barnabas

Colleges and Universities offer degree programs with the purpose of developing the intellectual calibre of individuals. Hence the curricula of these degree courses enrich the students' understanding and mastery of an area of knowledge.

But, in the contemporary context, it is equally important for colleges to supplement the curriculum and equip the students to better meet the required levels of performance in the industry. No doubt, such supplementation might also develop their interests and aptitudes.

What is a Value Added Course?

Employment scene today requires that a student wanting a job be an all-rounder, with several skills. Pursuing multiple long-winding degree programs is no answer to this. Rather than spending a lifetime seeking higher qualifications, Value Added Courses give you the chance to update your skill set in only a fraction of the time and money. But, the value they create is very high.

Why should I do a Value Added Course?

Value Added Courses are a fine way to fill the gaps in your knowledge and add competitive edge to your job prospects. As systems, programs and practices change, making it critical for job-seekers to have a range of competencies, Value Added Courses can help you to be a winner.

Starting off with a Value Added Course helps you to have a foundation on which to build your career. Many of these courses may lead you on to your own enterprise or to further qualifications, if needed.

Who can take admission to a Value Added Course?

There are two types of courses being offered – General Interest Courses that are open to all and Subject Specific Courses. You can pursue these courses as per your requirement. Apart from the Ahmednagar College students, even others – students from anywhere, working men and women, or the self-employed – can register for these courses.

How many courses can I do?

As the basic idea is to make ample opportunities available to students, there are no restrictions on how many courses a student can offer. Many of these courses are offered more than once a year and thus one can acquire several certifications during the period of a degree program.

Will I get a Job because of Value Added Courses?

The purpose of the Value Added Courses is to make you industry-ready. Providing the finishing touches to the knowledge you gain in your degree program, Value Added Courses will polish your skills and enhance your employability. What is more, you may even acquire enough tricks to start your own business!

The College has a Placement Cell to assist you with your placement. You can register with this Cell and receive further guidance and some assistance in seeking jobs. The Cell also facilitates On or Off campus interviews.

How to register for a Course?

The Courses are run by many departments, including some private Educational Service Providers. Each course has a Coordinator whose phone number is prominently displayed in the Brochure. You may contact these coordinators in person or by phone for details. You may visit the College website for more details as well. The prescribed fees should be paid in the Bank through a challan issued by the Course Coordinator.

What about the Certification?

Each course has its own assessment pattern, both practical and theoretical. Successful completion of the course earns you Certification issued by the College.

List of Courses

Course	Coordinator	Department / Agency	Contact
1 Public Speaking	Prof. Ashok Borude	English	75881 69242
2 Rural Development	Dr. Sharad Borude	NSS-ETI	94036 16716
3 Acting for Theatre and Television	Prof. Sachin More	History	88569 30897
4 Certified Industrial Accountant (CIAF, CIA, CIA+)	Mr. Prakash Berad	ICA, Ahmednagar	86000 20207
5 Processing Fruits and Vegetables	Dr. Abhijit Kulkarni	Botany	94040 52527
6 Post Harvest Technologies	Dr. Abhijit Kulkarni	Botany	94040 52527
7 व्यक्तीमत्त्व विकास Personality Development	Dr. S J Kavade	Political Science	98900 39560
8 मराठी शुद्धलेखन	Dr. Sudhakar Shelar	Marathi	98909 13236
9 Spoken English	Ms. Saudamini Bahadurge	English / Konnectionz Learning Solutions	9902511008
10 Competitive Entrance Test Coaching	Ms. Saudamini Bahadurge	Konnectionz Learning Solutions	9902511008
11 Video Blogging	Prof. Ashita Bandellu/D'Souza	English	87882 97652
12 Problem Solving in Competitive Examinations	Prof. S.B. Gandhale	Mathematics	92725 17895
13 फायदेशीर कृषी व्यवस्थापन Farm Management	Dr. P P Kadam	Economics	86051 25115
14 Translation	Dr. Rupali Dalvi	Hindi	98905 21689
15 Reading and Writing "Modi" Script	Prof. Vijay Kadam	History	94046 79965
16 Computer Application	Dr. Pradip Shelke	Physics	94222 26924
17 Radio, TV, Film and Digital Journalism	Dr. Satappa Chavan	Hindi	81497 59014
18 Certificate Course in Soft Skills	Ms. Saudamini Bahadurge	English/Konnectionz Learning Solutions	9902511008
19 Certificate Course in Classical Music	Mr. Mahesh Khoptikar		8379069069
20 Basic Course in German	Ms. Divya Shiralkar	Centre for Foreign Languages	9657340999
21 Advanced Course in German	Ms. Divya Shiralkar	Centre for Foreign Languages	9657340999
22 Basic Course in Instrumental Music - Keyboard	Mr. Prakash Lagad		9823182333
23 Basic Course in Instrumental Music - Guitar	Mr Prakash Lagad		9823182333
24 Basic Course in Instrumental Music - Tabla	Mr. Mahesh Khoptikar		8379069069
25 School Counseling	Dr. Abhay Saligram	Psychology	94230 28830
26 Biostatistics	Dr. Chandrashekhar	Statistics	94222 94256
27 Book Keeping Accounting	Prof. A Y Raikwad	Commerce	99224 88435
28 Molecular Biology Workshop	Dr. Sunny Rupwate	Biochemistry	93422 35806
29 Human Physiology and Dietetics	Dr. S R Deshmukh	Chemistry	77740 05533
30 Advanced Organic Chemistry and Applied Organic Chemistry Practicals	Prof. S V Rohokale	Chemistry	92713 80548
31 Fundamentals of Chemistry and Basic Laboratory Techniques	Prof. S V Rohokale	Chemistry	92713 80548
32 Foundation Course in Mathematics	Prof. S A Ghule	Mathematics	94237 91515
33 Python	Dr. Razzak Sayyed	Computer Science	94215 56535
34 Certified GST Expert	Dr. D B More	Commerce / Satyam Institute of Tax Accountants	98906 11195
35 Certificate Course in "Advanced C"	Prof. Ashok Lagad	Mathematics	98603 69957
36 Certificate Course in "C++"	Prof Ashok Lagad	Mathematics	98603 69957
37 Counseling for Special and Learning-disabled Children	Dr. Abhay Saligram	Psychology	94230 28830
38 Circuit Designing	Dr. Pradip Shelke	Physics	94222 26924
39 Food Science and Nutrition	Dr. N R Somwanshi	Zoology	98502 97955
40 Pharmaceutical Microbiology	Dr. Jessica Ghodke	Microbiology	70309 63437
41 Microbiology in Agriculture and Food Industry	Mr. Vishal Tungikar	Microbiology	94200 13972
42 Biotechnology	Dr. N R Somwanshi	Biotechnology	98502 97955