# PLACEMENT BROCHURE 2016-17 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA



## CONTENTS

## **UKNOW US BETTER:**

- Message from the Head of the Department
- Message from the Teacher Co-ordinator, Placement Committee
- About the department
- Faculty members
- Research projects
- Seminars and conferences
- Infrastructure
- **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**
- Course Structure □PLACEMENTS:
- Placement Records
- Student Profile for Analytics Sector
- Student Profile for Non Analytics Sector
- Summer Internships
- Industry-Academia Interaction
  WHY UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA?
  ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
  CONTACT US





## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT



The University of Calcutta is one of the oldest Universities in India and also one of the largest in terms of enrolment of students. According to The Times of India Survey conducted in 2014, it is ranked third amongst the Indian Universities. In 2017, the Post Graduate Course in Economics is going to complete its centenary celebration.

It conducts three regular academic programmes: Masters, M.Phil. & Ph.D. In the Masters programme, a thorough revision of the curriculum and structure has been made – latest in 2014. Focus is on strengthening understanding level of general students in three major areas: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics. A wide array of fifteen specializations is offered. Undertaking project works in economic problems of contemporary relevance is part of the credit. They utilize software STATA for solving econometric problems. The quality of economics training that the Department imparts is well recognized.

Our alumni are well spread over teaching and research institutions across the world; besides establishing themselves in administration and corporate governance. The Departmental Placement Committee has been active and very successful. On an average, around 60 students per year are getting placed through campussing, in various esteemed organizations across wide fields of operations. It is heartening to see that the industry leaders are increasingly placing their confidence in the ability of our students.

The placement season for current students is starting from end of August. The Department cordially invites all recruiters to visit our Department. We hope that the business leaders will find our students well equipped in meeting their highest organizational expectations.

-Professor Sudakshina Gupta

## MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHER CO-ORDINATOR, PLACEMENT COMMITTEE



M.Sc. (Economics) is a major academic programme, regularly run by the Department of Economics, University of Calcutta. It is a four-semester course work. In first two semesters, they are taught compulsory papers. In other two semesters, they study special papers.

Placement Committee (PC) of the Department, on a regular basis, has been making serious attempts of organizing campus placement programmes for outgoing students. In the final year, on an average per year, net enrolment is around 180. Of them, around 120 students do register with the PC, and around 60 students do get placed. Summer Internship Programmes is another related area looked after by the PC. Results of such programmes could be interpreted as an indicator of market evaluation of our students as also of our course curriculum. This has generated confidence that our students are also capable in meeting challenges of the emerging job markets.

Business Analytic is the core area of placement for our students. In the summer of 2016, PC has organised a 10-Saturday long Hands on Training Workshop. Objective was to enhance employability of our students in the analytic sector. A related achievement of the Department was to launch an Industry-Academia Partnership with the GENPACT, from January, 2015.

In-depth subject specific knowledge and wit have helped the students to prove themselves conduit to the various sectors they worked in, including consumer and corporate banking, academia, consulting, investment, analytics, research cells and various government bodies.

We invite all regular recruiters, as also new organizations, for visiting our campus for selecting meritorious students from the outgoing batch of 2017. Simultaneously, they are also welcome to conduct selection for Internship programme for the juniors (2016-18sessions).

-Professor Rabindranath Mukhopadhyay

## **ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT**

The Department of Economics of Calcutta University proudly celebrates hundred years of knowledge empowerment. The M.Sc programme of the institute is one of the best in the country and acts as an excellent training ground for budding economists. The students, with their knowledge heritage and wit, the students here have proved themselves conduit to the various sectors they worked in, including consumer and corporate banking, academia, consulting, investment, analytics, research cells and various government bodies.

#### **OUR STRENGTHS**

- •Distinguished Faculty
- •Strong Theoretical and Practical Knowledge of Statistical Techniques
- •Expertise in Specialized Econometric and Statistical Software
- •Good Communication Skills
- •Proficiency in Multi-tasking



## FACULTY MEMBERS

Anindita Sen Ph.D. Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Anirban Mukherjee Ph.D. University of British Columbia

Anjan Kumar Chakrabarti Ph.D. University of California, Riverside

Arijita Dutta Ph.D. University of Calcutta

Biswajit Ray Ph.D. University of Calcutta

Ishita Mukhopadhyay Ph.D. University of Calcutta Kausik Gupta Ph.D. Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Kumarjit Mandal Ph.D. State University of New York at Albany

Mahalaya Chatterjee Ph.D. University of Calcutta

Panchanan Das Ph.D. University of Calcutta

Rabindranath Mukhopadhyay Ph.D. Indian Statistical Institute

Saibal Kar Ph.D. Northern Illinois University Sankar Kumar Bhaumik Ph.D. Jawaharlal Nehru University

Sarbajit Chaudhuri Ph.D. Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Sarmila Banerjee Ph.D. University of Florida, Gainesville, USA

Sudakshina Gupta Ph.D. Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Sukanta Bhattacharya Ph.D. University of British Columbia

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

## **IN COLLABORATION WITH:**

- University of Sienna
- Boston University, USA

### SCHEMES FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH:

- SAP-DRS(2007) on Economics of Globalization and Sustainable Development
- SAP-DSA(2014) on Globalization and Regional Development
- Centre for Urban Economic Studies (1977)
- Rajiv Gandhi Chair For Ecosystems and Sustainable Development (February,2010)

### FUNDEDBY

- The Planning Commission (erstwhile)
- NABARD
- The Ministry of Social Justice and Environment
- UGC
- State Women's Commission, Government of West Bengal
- Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi
- Indian Council of Science Academy, New Delhi
- ICSSR
- International Development Research Centre, Canada

## **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES**













### Clockwise:

- 1. Centenary Lecture by **Dr.Deepak Nayar**
- 2. International Conference in collaboration with **CESI (Delhi), ISI** (Kolkata),IDSK and Pratichi Institute. It was inaugurated by Prof. Pranab K Bardhan
- 3. AACUED lecture was put forward by **Prof. Prabhat Patnaik**
- 4. Invited Lecture Delivered by Dr. Sourav Bhattacharya Royal Holloway University of London, UK
- 5. The department organized a seminar by **Prof. Maitreesh Ghatak,LSE.**
- 6. Invited Lecture Delivered by **Prof. Bibhas Saha, Durham University, UK**, being felicitated by Professor Arijita Dutta.
- 7. Lecture delivered by **Prof. Sugata Marjit**, V.C., Univ. of Calcutta. **Prof. Asis Banerjee**, Ex-V.C. presided over the session.



## INFRASTRUCTURE



#### AUDITORIUM

Presentations by scholars, pre-placement talks, workshops and seminars are held in the audio-visual room having high quality wall-mounted projectors for an enhanced visual experience.

#### **COMPUTER LABORATORY**

The computing facilities include a state-of-the-art computer center with the latest hardware, networking equipment, software and help desk facility.

#### LIBRARY

Having more than 40,000 printed resources, Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) containing databases of books & journals, the library is equipped with state-of-the-art technology providing seamless access to readers

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

1. change in ( Kno/ co)

1. ha ( Km

d lm ( 1/2 )

PM = QHM(4,1), 1 + QLM(41,1), W

here

## **COURSE STRUCTURE**

#### MASTERS OF SCIENCE ECONOMICS

 The batch of 2015-2017 is the second batch that has been entitled to the revised course structure. The students are taught Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics in greater detail, over a period of two semesters. In addition to the theoretical knowledge imparted, all the students are given compulsory training in Econometrics, using the software STATA

#### CORE PAPERS

- Microeconomics I and II
- Macroeconomics I and II
- Econometrics I and II
- Mathematical methods in Economics
- Indian Economic Development
- Development Economics
- History of Economic Ideas
- Globalization and Economic Order

## SPECIALIZATION PAPERS

- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Game theory and Information
- International Economics
- Urban Economic
- Economics of Industry
- Advanced Econometrics
- Operation Research
- Economics of Money and Finance
- Economics of Institution
- Experimental Economics
- Development Management
- Labour Economics
- Economics of Agriculture
- Urban Planning
- Resource and Environmental Economics
- Economics of Marx

## PLACEMENTS



## PLACEMENT RECORDS

#### Placement

• The Placement Committee of the Department of Economics, University of Calcutta makes out regular attempts in ensuring careers of its students being sketched out well before they complete their courses. A wide array of specializations is offered in the M.Sc. Course. Reputed companies visiting our campus thus do find our students having a command over different fields of work

#### **On Campus Placement Features**

- Auditorium with projectors and laptops are provided for pre placement talks.
- Rooms for aptitude tests, Group Discussions and Personal Interviews are provided as per the recruiters' requirement.
- A team of Placement Committee Volunteers are always available to take care of the logistics and related issues, that might arise while conducting recruitment events.
- Companies interested in visiting our campus, won't have to pay any tariff



#### Past Recruiters • Accenture • Agrud Advisors India PrivateLtd. • Ansr source • ASERCentre • Azim Premji Foundation Bridgei2i Analytics Solutions Private Ltd. • CMARC India Private Ltd. Cognizant Technology Solutions Emami Ltd. • EXL Service • Finomial Software Private Ltd. KAIVALYA Education Foundation • Genpact India HSBC India • Hewlett-Packard • IMRB International • Ipsos • MuSigma Inc. • Nielsen India • Orange Tree Global

- Pradan
- Re-emerging World
- Trustklub

## SUMMER INTERNSHIPS



The Department of Economics puts major thrust on building capabilities of the students. The department gives the students opportunities to work as summer interns in different NGOs, consulting agencies, media sectors, banks etc. This gives them real world exposure beyond text-book knowledge along with a practical knowledge of what the industry wants. Given the solid theoretical foundation to each student of our department, minimum 8 to maximum 10 weeks of work experience in a professional environment helps them groom themselves better.

### MAJOR INTERNSHIP PROVIDERS:

- Genpact
- ICRA
- State Bank of India
- Indian Overseas Bank
- Bank of India
- Kotak Mahindra
- IDBI
- MoSPI,NSSO
- ISI
- IIMC
- Orange Tree Global
- CII
- Bengal Chamber of Commerce

## STUDENTS' PROFILE FOR ANALYTICS SECTOR

Many students do opt for following areas of specializations:

- Advanced macroeconomics
- Game theory and information
- Advanced econometrics
- Operations research
- Economics of money and finance from a given set of 16:



Some students are also proficient in selected software : \* MS OFFICE & STATA \* MS OFFICE,STATA & RSTUDIO \* MS OFFICE, STATA, SAS, RSTUDIO, VBA



## STUDENTS' PROFILE FOR NON-ANALYTICS SECTOR

Many students do opt for following areas of specializations:

- Agricultural Economics
- Resource and Environmental Economics
- Labour Economics
- Development Economics
- Urban Planning



## INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA INTERACTION

#### **SIGNING OF MOU WITH GENPACT:**

The program provides students with exposure to risk management and financial service analytics applications, through training, guest lectures and workshops. The program also aims to generate a steady supply of industry-ready professionals.

Genpact and University of Calcutta also intend to build a broader learning platform for capability development and innovation in analytics domain as well as incubation of new ideas and joint research that brings academia and industry together to built a larger ecosystem around data-enabled decision-making.



## INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA INTERACTION

#### **SUMMER ANALYTICS PROGRAM :**

The Placement Committee of the Department of Economics, organised. a summer program in the semester break of the 2015-17 session. The objective was enhancing employability of students in the analytics sector. It was a 10-Saturday long program initiated with 104 students. Selected alumni (4) and their associates (2) participated as the resource persons. The sessions imparted hands-on training in software's like R and My-SQL. The sessions were interactive. Regular evaluations - different categories - of learning were arranged. They were required to make two categories - pre-assigned and impromptu - of case studies presentations. Finally, a merit list of 16 students, on the basis of a day long session of personal interviews, has been announced.



## WHY UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA?

#### **COURSE STRUCTURE**

The M.Sc. programme in Economics seeks to develop critical thinking with an aim to enhance analytical capability which facilitates rational decision-making. Here we try to create an environment that enables a smooth transition from skills to jobs.

#### SKILL DEVELOPMENT

The course is designed in a manner which prepares the students to survive and excel in a competitive workplace. The students are wellacquainted with software which enables intensive application-based research.

#### FACULTY

The department has the best faculty members who not only possess teaching experience and subject matter expertise but are also well recognized for their respective works. Most of the faculty members are into research, who play advisory roles and undertake various consulting assignments.

#### STUDENT QUALITY

The students of our department come from prestigious colleges and other universities. In the past, most of the students have been placed in reputed conglomerates of the country and have been selected for higher studies in well-recognized national and international institutions. The confidence that the students here possess and their ability to perform high on excellence have been attracting several companies every year to the campus.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Placement Committee and its members express their deep gratitude for the guidance and assistance which it has been fortunate enough to receive from the following list of distinguished alumni. Hope they will remain committed to extend their support, as usual, in the years to come. We hope to reach greater heights in the near future, under the guidance of such a great fraternity. Despite its best efforts, it is always possible that some names have been left out from the list below. We remain committed to accommodate such names as when we come across of such mistakes.

Regular updating of this brochure has been possible only in association with Students' Representatives of this committee.

#### ALUMNI

Uddip Roy (1992-94) Tiyas Mallick (2002-04) Partha Pratim Saha (2004-06) Anindya Sengupta (2003-05) Sujan Mullik (2005-07) Madhubanti Banerjee (2006-08) Suddhashil Mullik (2006-08) Samik Mukhopadhyay (2007-09) Anirban Ghosh (2007-09) Soumya Dipta Chaudhuri (2008-10) Raikamal Banerjee (2009-11) Trinanjan Kundu (2009-11) Abhishek Bardhan (2012-14) Kuntal Majumder (2012-14) Debanjana Saha (2013-15) Manish Kumar (2013-15) Sampad Roy (2013-15) Atrideb Basu (1998-2001; B.Sc.)

## CONTACT US...

HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA:

DR. SUDAKSHINA GUPTA sudakshinagupta@yahoo.co. in

THE TEACHER CO-ORDINATOR, PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

#### DR. RABINDRANATH MUKHOPADHYAY

<u>mukhopadhyayr@gmail.com</u> <u>rnmeco@caluniv.ac.in</u>



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

ANANYA DAS ananya17das@yahoo.com

AVISEKH SINGH <u>avisekhsingh19@gmail.com</u>

DEBASMITA MITRA debasmita0812@gmail.com

SUVAM CHATTERJEE chatterjee.suvam11@gmail.co m

TUHINA BASU <u>tuhina0807@gmail.com</u>

PLACEMENT CELL EMAIL ID: placement.caluniv@gmail.com ADDRESS: 56A, B.T. ROAD. KOLKATA- 700050.