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EVENT: Bridge Course for the incoming B. Tech., 1st Year Students

Introduction: Derek Curtis Bok, the famous American educator and former President of Harvard University, once said, “**If you think education is expensive, try ignorance!**” These words express the innate objectives of the Department of English and Foreign Languages of Madanapalle Institute of Technology and Science (M. I. T. S.), toward education as a whole and language learning in specific.

It is with this desire that a Holistic Bridge Course was organized and conducted by the Department of English and Foreign Languages for the incoming 2017 batch of B. Tech. students. The Bridge Course was the first of its kind to be conducted at M. I. T. S. Listed below are details of the event and its outcome.

What was it about?

The Holistic Bridge Course was conducted with the following purposes in mind:

- Firstly, to bridge the gap for students as they crossover from School to College.
- Secondly, it was conducted in order to exhibit the faculty and the facilities that M. I. T. S. has to offer, especially in regards to the language of English and Communication Skills.
- Thirdly, to enable the students overcome their inhibitions and become aware of what preparation their career path requires.

As was testified by several students during the Bridge Course, that **they were on the lookout for an Institution where they would receive proper coaching in the language of English and Communication Skills.** The students expressed that they were in actuality considering Institutions and Colleges in Bangalore or Hyderabad, however **after having witnessed the events that transpired during the Bridge Course, they were convinced that M. I. T. S. was where they needed to be!**

The Bridge Course enlightened students to the fact of the importance of possessing apt knowledge and skills in the language of English in the current global scenario. The students received inputs from various external resource persons, from reputable Industries in order to reemphasize the crucial element of the aforementioned.

When was it conducted?

The Bridge Course conducted by the Department of English and Foreign Languages was held in the first week of July, 2017, i.e. July 4th through the 7th (Tuesday to Friday).

Who were involved?

The faculty of the Department of English and Foreign Languages were involved in conducting classes for the freshmen on various topics, such as – Creative Writing, Letter Writing, Transcoding, Vocabulary Building, etc.

Apart from the involvement of the faculty, several experts from the Industry were also called-in to further exemplify the aspects of the importance of the language of English and Foreign Languages. Experts such as:

- **Day 1 - Mr. Sandeep, Mr. Sampath and Ms. Ranjani of Karadi Path (Hyderabad).** They introduced the students to a whole new approach to learning the language of English. They involved the students in several activities and contributed immensely in creating a desire to learn.
- **Day 2- Mr. Venkat of Max Academy (Chennai).** He also delivered a very interactive session through which students were able to learn several techniques on how to better their memory power, proper sitting postures, breathing techniques and other vital information.
- **Day 3 – Mr. Ashwin from SMART Training Resources (Chennai).** Ashwin established a good rapport with students and instilled in the students the importance of preparing for Placements, from get-go. Although students would be faced with the challenge of placements in their third year of studies, it is essential that preliminary work for the same would be done early-on.
- **Day 4 – Mr. Harikrishnan from People English (Bangalore).** Hari is the C. E. O. of **People English**, who offer and conduct Cambridge Exams in Institutions. He elaborated to the students the part that the University of Cambridge is playing in certifying the proficiency levels of students by offering Business English Certificates (B. E. C.). He also covered other soft-skills that students must possess in the workplace, as they prepare for the workforce.

Also on Day 4, students were encouraged to participate in activities, such as – **Character Portrayal, Speeches** by famous people and **Skits**. Several students zestfully took part in the activities and prizes were given to the best performers.

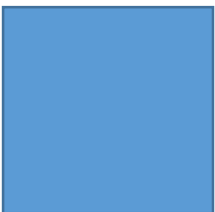
The photographs for the BRIDGE COURSE are attached for information.

How was it received?

Feedback forms based on each day were collected from the students and a consolidated feedback was collected on the final day. There was an overwhelming majority who enjoyed and appreciated the Bridge Course. Many of the students have mentioned that such programmes should be conducted regularly as this would certainly help them improve their communication skills etc.

Conclusion: *It may be safely said that the Bridge Course, which was organized by the Department of English and Foreign Languages, met its objectives and benefitted the students as well as the Institution, immensely. It is one way of letting the world know that Madanapalle Institute of Technology and Science is on an academic ascent.*

Photos



**REPORT ON A 'TEQIP-II' SPONSORED
TWO- DAY WORKSHOP FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATORS on
'ENTWINING TECHNOLOGY AND TEACHING: SETTING STANDARDS'**

Organized by: **MADANAPALLE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE**, Madanapalle,
On **23-24 March 2018**

The Department of English and Foreign Languages organized a TEQIP-II sponsored two- day workshop for technical educators on 'Entwining Technology and Teaching: Setting Standards' on 23-24 March 2018. Mr. Praneesh Kumar Yadav - Sr. Executive Research and Development: Honeywell Technology Solutions Hyderabad, Prof. Nagrajan - Pondicherry Engineering College, Dr. Appa Swami Jasti - Asst. Professor, Hyderabad Central University (HCU) Hyderabad, and Dr. Joy Anuradha – Asst. Professor, HCU Hyderabad were the resource persons of this workshop. They broadly focussed on the following sub-topics of the workshop:

- Collaborative Active Learning through Technology (CALTECH)
- *Technology-Enabled Active Learning (TEAL)*
- Teaching Oriented to Research and Research Oriented to Teaching
- Classroom and Information Management
- Teaching and Learning with Mobile Technology

The main objectives of the workshop were to:

- Unlock the potential of technology for teaching and learning
- Offer hands-on experience in how to manage a large class with digital technology
- Find creative and constructive ways to integrate technology into a lesson plan
- Update participants on training and research skills – *especially those who may not have had an opportunity to acquaint themselves with recent developments in teaching amalgamated with technology.*

40 participants (faculty and research scholars from all streams of engineering) from the following institutions registered (online and on the spot)for the workshop. The colleges are listed below.

Sl.	Name of the Institution
1	Annamacharya Institute of Technology & Sciences (AITS) Rajamapet
2	Anantha Lakshmi Institute of Technology & Sciences, Ananthapur
3	RISE Krishna Sai Group of Institutions, Ongole
4	AITS, Kadapa
5	SRIT, Ananthapuramu
6	K.L. University, Vijayawada
7	PVKK Institute of Technology, Ananthapur
8	K.S.R.M. Engineering College KADAPA
9	JNTU, Ananthapur
10	S V. University, Tirupthi
11	VIT Vellore
12	Y.V.U Kadapa
13	National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli
14	Vidhyaniketan Engineering College, Tirupathi
15	YSR Engineering College, Proddatur

There were approximately 22 Internal participants from the ECE department, BSH and Training department besides the faculty from the host department.

Proceedings of the Workshop:

Day-I, 23 March 2018;

10.00 - 11.15 am: Inaugural Function

Dr. C. Yuvaraj, Principal of MITS Madanapalle, Dr.G. Hampamma – Vice Principal (Administration), Dr. Ramanathan - Vice Principal (Academics), Dr. Rosalia H. Bonjour - HoD, English and Foreign Languages and convener of the workshop and Mr. Praneesh Kumar Yadav (Honeywell Technology Solutions) – Chief guest and keynote speaker of the workshop were invited to the dais for the inaugural ceremony. The dignitaries lighted the lamp, followed by a prayer song by the students.

The workshop started with the introductory remarks by the convener Prof. Rosalia H Bonjour. She welcomed all the resource persons and participants and detailed the objectives of the workshop. Highlighting the need of engineering students to learn at higher rate of effectiveness and efficiency due to the rapid growth of relevant information and the escalation of knowledge and skill requirements for most jobs. She stated that the most apparent need for teachers in engineering colleges was to engage their students in continued acquisition of knowledge through technology. She appreciated all the participants for their interest in this workshop and encouraged them to interact with the experts during the sessions to enrich their awareness of teaching entwined with technology.

Dr. Yuvaraj C, Principal MITS Madanapalle, in his inaugural address explicated the importance of teaching aligned with technology. He touched upon the recent events organized at MITS and how the institution has grown from strength to strength in a short span of time. He praised the participants for attending the workshop, as well.

Dr. G. Hampamma, addressing the participants stated, that MITS is committed to help the institutions in Rayalaseema in their endeavour to grow and to become autonomous. She made the participants aware of the role of technology in every part of their culture: how they live, work, play, and most importantly learn.

Dr. Ramanathan, Vice Principal (Academics) informed the participants that MITS conducts such events regularly and pledged to continue them for the benefit of institutions and faculty in Rayalaseema.

The inauguration was followed by two sessions. The resource persons for the workshop were Mr. Praneesh Kumar Yadav and Dr. Appa Swami Jasti.

Mr. Praneesh Kumar Yadav of Honeywell Technology Solutions - Hyderabad, delivered an outstanding talk on recent developments in the pedagogy of engineering students. He shared his own experiences as a student and a professional and how the formative years (at VIT Vellore and Honeywell Solutions) were instrumental in his growth as a professional. He emphasised the need of grooming students with a solid foundation in their core domain and how innovative and challenging tasks would enhance their employability.

He also displayed a few attractive CVs of fresh graduates in order to help participants understand the demand of the industry in order to make their students industry-ready. The participants benefitted immensely from this interactive session and many of their lingering doubts were clarified.

Dr. Appa Swami Jasti, Asst. Professor at HCU Hyderabad, offered an interactive session on 'Encouraging Technology Use in Teaching: Issues and Challenges'. He started with a question for discussion on why teachers avoid technology and closed his talk with tips for evaluating technology tools. He did a short survey on use of technology by the participants in order to make them aware of the ground reality and how they can maximize their comfort level with the use of technology in order to enhance their effectiveness in classroom interaction. He also invited the participants to enumerate the differences between digital natives and digital non-natives. He further shared the benefits of technology-enriched teaching. He also touched upon the potential of mobile learning in and out of the class in context of SAMR (substitution, augmentation, modifications, and redefinition) framework.

The session ended with informal interaction between participants and expert on different issues and challenges of teaching learning transaction with technology

Day-2: 24 March 2018, 10.00 am, – 12: 15 pm; Technical Session II:

Prof. Nagrajan, Pondicherry Engineering College, using the acronym TEACHER highlighting the teachers' characteristics in present scenario in order to be an effective teacher. In his opinion a teacher should have a sensitivity to students' individual differences: understanding of how students learn at a given developmental level; how learning in a specific subject area typically progresses; and an understanding that instruction should be customized to meet each student's needs.

He also insisted on dedication to teaching, which includes commitment to students' success. To a student, this means a teacher should be always willing to help and give time. He concluded, "If you can reach them you can teach them." The participants enjoyed this interactive session and many of their lingering doubts were clarified during interaction at tea.

12:15 – 1:15 pm, Technical Session IV: Dr. Appa Swami Jasti, Asst. Professor – HCU Hyderabad, discussed how to use web-resources for learning to write for academic purposes. Firstly, he explained characteristics of writing for academic purposes.

He then discussed the importance writing for academic purposes for teachers and students. Next, he made the participants aware of the available web-resources and how one can use them for learning to write for academic purposes..

2 – 4 pm, Technical Session V: Dr. Joy Anuradha, Asst. Professor – HCU Hyderabad, orchestrated the final session of this workshop with her discussion on 'Assessment and Technology: Principles and Tools.' She made the participants aware of the differences between assessment and testing; assessment and learning; formative assessment and summative assessment; Standardized test and classroom based test; and formal and informal testing. She gave tips on designing classroom based tests keeping the criteria of good test and their reliability and validity in mind. Next, she made the participants familiar with the following web tools for creating online assessment:

- Google suite
- Hot potatoes
- Flubaroo
- Poll Everywhere
- Moodle
- Edmodo

This session was very informative and participants became familiar with the intricacies of teaching and how they can exploit the web resources to design their online tests for students. Prof. Rosalia Bonjour thanked the resource person and felicitated her with a memento.

4 - 4.30 pm; Valedictory Function: The workshop ended with a valedictory function. Prof. Rosalia Bonjour, HoD English and Foreign Languages and Convener of the workshop lauded the participants for their active participation.

The participants were invited reflect upon the workshop resulting in five participants sharing their major gains from the workshop and expressed their indebtedness to MITS Management for organizing this workshop as it benefitted them immensely to evolve as a teacher for engineering students.

Participants gave an excellent feedback to the resource persons for their respective sessions. All the guests were felicitated with mementos and bouquets.

Dr. Joy Anuradha, the resource person for the last session, was requested to distribute the certificates of participation.

Dr. B. Rasheeda Begum proposed a vote of thanks to the resource persons, participants, MITS management and all the teaching and non-teaching faculty.

Note: Though we received 40 Registrations from outside participants, (the payments being made online and a few on the spot), many were unable to make it to the venue for various reasons like their OD being denied at the last minute by the College managements.



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SHAKESPEARE'S DAY REPORT

William Shakespeare is known worldwide as the “Bard of Avon”, the greatest Poet and dramatist ever. As Ben Jonson truly says about Shakespeare, **“He was not of an age, but for all time!”**

“Our myriad-minded Shakespeare.” as Samuel Taylor Coleridge refers to him, has contributed over 1,700 words to the English language that we use daily. It is not confined to "manager," "eyeball," "zany," "barefaced," "eyesore," "baseless" and "fashionable." Shakespeare was the finest example of British or English dramatist. His language was full of the sound qualities of Germanic, Spanish and Latin terms, which is why his plays and books sound good in almost any language.

Some of the expressions used even today are:

- ❖ *All that glitters is not gold*
- ❖ *All's well that ends well*
- ❖ *Be all and end all*
- ❖ *Break the ice*
- ❖ *Faint hearted*
- ❖ *Jealousy is the green eyed monster*

- ❖ *Tower of strength*
- ❖ *Wild goose chase*

The objective behind the celebration of Shakespeare's birthday which also happens to be the day he died- 23rd April was to introduce our Engineering students to the great Bard, whose contribution to the English language cannot be ignored.

In view of Shakespeare's Day, the Department of English and Foreign Languages organized competitions for the students to help them shed fear and gain confidence when communicating in English.

The events were based on Shakespeare's works:

- Character Portrayal (Individual)
- Skit writing (Pair)

The events were planned clubbing the students in two categories:

- *First and second year students- I group*
- *Third and final year students+ PG students - II group*

The Skit writing competitions for the first and second year students were conducted during the lab hours for English as part of their training in written communication. The details of the participation from the first year for the skit alone is as follows:

1.	<i>CSE-A</i>	60
2.	<i>CSE-B</i>	22
3.	<i>CSE-C</i>	39
4.	<i>CSE-D</i>	60
5.	<i>ME-A</i>	35
6.	<i>ME-B</i>	27
7.	<i>ME-C</i>	48
8.	<i>ME-D</i>	53
9.	<i>CIVIL</i>	29
10.	<i>ECE-A</i>	50
11.	<i>ECE-B</i>	49
12.	<i>ECE-C</i>	40
13.	<i>ECE-D</i>	27
14.	<i>ECE-E</i>	52
15.	<i>ECE-F</i>	39
16.	<i>CSIT</i>	56
17.	<i>IT</i>	36
18.	<i>EEE-A</i>	51
19.	<i>EEE-B</i>	32
	<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>805</i>

1	<i>ECE- III Year</i>	8
2	<i>ECE-D- II Year</i>	13
3	<i>EEE-B -II Year</i>	2
4	<i>CSE-B -II Year</i>	1

5	CSE-D- II Year	2
6	CSE-C -II Year	13
	TOTAL	39
TOTAL	GROUP -I & 2	844

The total number of participants for skit writing alone was 844!

There were 10 participants from the second and third years for Character Portrayal.

The total number of students who participated were 854!

There were 16 winners for both competitions.

On 23rd April, our guest cum Resource person, Dr. G. Sheela Swaroopa Rani, Professor, Department of English, Sri Padmavati Women's University, Tirupathi, presided over the programme. She lauded the efforts of the department and especially the Head, in doing the unthinkable- Bringing Shakespeare into the Engineering campus! Dr. Sheela Swaroopa spoke about the importance that Shakespeare still has in the language and literature circles and his relevance and contribution to the English language. She hoped that next year too, this day would be celebrated in a grander manner.

The programme was attended by Dr. Sreemanth Basu, Dean Administration, who was elated at the response and the performance of the students on stage for Character portrayal. Dr. Ramanathan, Vice Principal, Academics and Dr. G. Hampamma, Vice Principal, Administration were happy that students had participated and appreciated the event.

Dr. Suryanarayan Raju, head of the Mechanical engineering department supported the event with his presence.

The prizes were distributed to the winners by all the dignitaries. Shaima, (a special invitee) an eight-year-old girl and public speaker enthralled the audience with her eloquent speech on Shakespeare. She was the same child who enthralled the audience at BT college during the celebration of the 100 years of our National Anthem.

Character Portrayal Competitions-Winners

Group -1

Prize	Name of the participant	Year/ Branch/Sec
I	Misba Kausar	I B.Tech ECE-B
II	Jeenesh	I B.Tech ME-B
III	A.Sunayana	I B.Tech CSE-C

Group -2

Prize	Name of the participant	Year/ Branch/Sec
I	P.Tarun Chand	III B.Tech ME-D

Skit Writing-Winners

Group -1

Prize	Name of the participant	Year/ Branch/Sec
I	S.Arbas Khan S.Md.A.Salman	I B.Tech Civil
II	N.Durga Dharani N.Bhavayaraj	I B.Tech ECE-A
III	C.Thanuja K.Sreevani	I B.Tech ECE-F
Consolation	P.V.Sravani Ramineni Sravani	I B.Tech ECE-F
Consolation	S.Fiza K.Ganitha	I B.Tech CSIT

Group -2

Prize	Name of the participant	Year/ Branch/Sec
I	T.L.Thanmayee A.Dharmika	II B.Tech ECE-C
II	C.Alekhya D.Dharshini	II B.Tech ECE-C
III	Baba Parvez Shaik Venkata Rajesh B	II B.Tech CSE-C

Our students if given the proper guidance and mentoring can perform well as was witnessed in the on the spot Skit Writing competition.

The anchors for the programme were Dr. Shanmugapriya, and Dr. Parul Saxena, Asst. Professors, Department of English & Foreign Languages and the vote off thanks was proposed by Dr. B. Rasheeda Begum.

A few photographs and videos are attached for information.

**REPORT ON THE THREE WEEK INDUCTION PROGRAMME conducted for the
FIRST YEAR B.Tech. STUDENTS from 18 JUNE 2018 – 7 JULY 2018.**

The department of English and Foreign Languages conducted a three-week Induction Programme for the First Year B.Tech students during 18 June 2018 – 7 July 2018.

Several educative sessions were held on various topics so as to bring awareness among the students about engineering studies. Speakers of high-profile were invited as resource persons.

S.NO.	RESOURCE PERSON	TOPIC	DATE(S)
1	Dr.ELANGO VAN PROFESSOR, AM COLLEGE, CHENNAI	CHEMISTRY	20 JUNE 2018
2	Dr.ENAKSHI DAS SAVEETHA ENGG. COLLEGE, CHENNAI	EXTRACTION OF GOLD FROM PLANTS	21 & 22 JUNE 2018
3	Mr.S.R.VENKAT MAX ACADEMY	MOTIVATION/EXAM TECHNIQUES	25 & 26 JUNE 2018
4	Dr.SAMUEL JOHNSON VIT, AMARAVATHI	MOTIVATION	25 & 26 JUNE 2018
5	Mr.ASHWIN	APTITUDE AND SHORTCUTS	27 & 28 JUNE 2018

	SMART TRAINING RESOURCES		
6	Mrs.CHITHRA & Mrs. SUBHA PEOPLE ENGLISH/ CAMBRIDGE	Business English Certificate	2 & 3 JULY 2018
7	Mr.SUDHEER	MOTIVATION	4 JULY 2018
8	Mr.SUMANTH PALEPO CEO, CONDUIRA ONLINE	Starting on your own	6 JULY 2018

Besides this, many sessions were handled by the in-house faculty from all the departments such as:

- Basics of Computer Proficiency (ME)
- Fun with Robots (EEE)
- Fun With Circuits (EEE)
- Accelerator/Mobile APPS (CSE)
- Components of A Computer (CSE)
- Software installation and Trouble Shooting (CSE)
- Simple Web Programming (CSE)
- Computer Graphics (CSE)
- Excelling in Excel, Latex & Moodle
- Design Thinking
- Cartesian & Polar Coordinates
- Mystery of Chemistry
- Chemicals in Chemistry
- Magical Physics
- Physics
- Mathemagic
- Quizzing through Mathematics
- VOCABULARY
- Audio-lingual Training
- Written communication 1 – Paragraph Writing
- Written communication 2 – Resume Writing
- Oral Presentation
- Movie Review
- Management. Students were also introduced to the importance of learning foreign languages like French & Spanish
- Yoga & Meditation
- Sports & Games
- NCC, NSS.
- Voluteers of MSR Club informed their juniors about the responsibilities of the students towards the society.

- SWO informed the students about the scholarship facilities.

The Alumnus Mr. Prashanth K., Founder, STUDY OWL had interesting sessions on **Internet of Things** with the students on 5 July 2018.

Competitions were also conducted under Literary Modules and Creative Modules in which 144 students participated.

Prizes were distributed to the winners by Dr. Rama Rao, Dean III C, Dr.Sreemannth Basu, Dean, Administration and Dr.Logudurai, Head, Dept. of Chemistry on 6th July 2018.

<u>LITERARY MODULES</u>		
1	ESSAY WRITING	58
2	SHORT STORY WRITING	23
3	DEBATE	22
4	NEWS READING	19
<u>CREATIVE MODULES</u>		
5	PAINTING	06
6	SLOGAN WRITING	06
7	HANDICRAFTS	10

<u>LITERARY MODULES</u>		
WINNERS OF ESSAY WRITING		
PRIZE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	BRANCH
FIRST	T.PUSHPALATHA	ECE
SECOND	J.SANJANA	CSE
THIRD	N.NEHA	CST
CONSOLATION	D.SHARON JERUSHA	ECE
WINNERS OF SHORT STORY WRITING		
FIRST	S.Md. JEELAN SHAREEF	ECE
SECOND	J.SANJANA	CSE
THIRD	L.SANGEETHA REDDY	CSE
WINNERS OF DEBATE		
FIRST	A.R.SREENIVASA	CST
SECOND	M.C.SUHAS REDDY	CSE
THIRD	S.ABDUL SAMEER	ECE
THIRD	P.MADHURI	ME
CONSOLATION	N.NITISH REDDY	ME
WINNERS OF NEWS READING		
FIRST	G.LAAVANYAA	CST
SECOND	M.J.S.AHAMED	EEE

THIRD	D.SHARON JERUSHA	ECE
CONSOLATION	N.LEELA MADHURI	CSIT
<u>CREATIVE MODULES</u>		
WINNERS OF PAINTING		
FIRST	B.HEMANTH KUMAR NAIK	EEE
FIRST	J.HEMANTH KUMAR	EEE
SECOND	D.SHARON JERUSHA	ECE
THIRD	S.MOHAMMED SHOYAB	EEE
WINNERS OF HANDICRAFT MAKING		
FIRST	D.REDDI CHAITANYA LAHARI	CIVIL
SECOND	J.SANJANA	CSE
THIRD	V.AJAY	ECE
THIRD	S.ZAID ALI	ECE
WINNERS OF SLOGAN WRITING		
FIRST	M.J.S.AHAMED	EEE
SECOND	R.INDU	CSIT
THIRD	K.RANI	CSIT

Apart from this, the students who participated actively in the Movie Review Session were also motivated and awarded prizes.

FIRST	C.GOWTHAM	ECE
SECOND	A.R.SRINIVASA	CST
THIRD	C.RUKMINI	ME

Visit to areas in and around Madanapalle was also arranged for the students on 30th June & 7th July.