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Guest Lecture on Higher Study Opportunities in USA

Resource Person: Mr. Charan Sai Palla

Date & Time: 12.02.2024, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Venue: Seminar Hall A, ECE Department, MITS College, Madanapalle

Introduction

On 12th February 2024, the ECE Department of MITS College, Madanapalle organized a guest lecture on the topic "Higher Study Opportunities in USA" for the students. The resource person for this lecture was Mr. Charan Sai Palla, an alumnus of MITS College and currently pursuing his PhD at the Georgia Institute of Technology, USA.

The lecture aimed to provide insights into the process of securing admission to universities in the USA for higher studies, specifically for Master's and PhD programs. The session was attended by around 150 students from various branches of engineering.

About the Resource Person

Mr. Charan Sai Palla completed his B.Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering from MITS College in 2018. After graduating, he worked for a year in the software industry before securing admission to the Georgia Institute of Technology for his Master's program in Electrical and Computer Engineering. Currently, he is pursuing his PhD in the same field and is in his third year of the program.

Mr. Palla has in-depth knowledge and first-hand experience navigating the application process for higher studies in the USA. His expertise in this domain made him an ideal resource person for this guest lecture.

Key Takeaways from the Lecture



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The guest lecture covered various aspects of pursuing higher studies in the USA, including:

1. Importance of academic performance, research experience, and extracurricular activities during undergraduate studies.
2. Standardized tests like GRE, TOEFL/IELTS, and their significance in the application process.
3. Crafting an impressive Statement of Purpose (SOP) and seeking strong Letters of Recommendation (LORs).
4. Identifying potential universities and programs that align with one's academic interests and career goals.
5. Funding opportunities, such as teaching assistantships, research assistantships, and scholarships.
6. Cultural differences and challenges international students may face while studying in the USA.
7. Tips for a successful visa application process.

Throughout the lecture, Mr. Palla shared his personal experiences, challenges faced, and strategies employed during his journey to the USA for higher studies. He emphasized the importance of starting the application process well in advance and being thorough in all aspects of the application.

Interactive Session and Conclusion

After the lecture, an interactive session was held, where students asked questions related to their specific concerns and doubts. Mr. Palla patiently addressed each query, providing valuable insights and advice based on his own experiences.

The guest lecture was highly informative and well-received by the students. It provided them with a comprehensive understanding of the requirements, processes, and challenges involved in pursuing higher studies in the USA.

The ECE Department expressed its gratitude to Mr. Charan Sai Palla for taking the time to share his knowledge and experiences with the students. Such guest lectures play a crucial role in guiding and motivating students to explore diverse academic and career opportunities.



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Overall, the guest lecture was a resounding success and served as a valuable resource for students aspiring to pursue higher studies in the USA.