

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata

Xavier's Commerce Society

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Xavier's Commerce Society (XCS), the representative society for the department of Commerce for St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, focuses on engaging students by providing quality experience of the corporate world ahead of them via prolifically designed fests spread out throughout the year. The Annual Report is published and distributed among the faculty of the Department of Commerce as a record of the benchmarks made in the year gone by. The purpose of the Annual Report is to inform the readers of all the activities carried out by the Xavier's Commerce Society, which help it to carry out its objective of helping commerce students inculcate practical business skills.

'MOTTO'

The Xavier's Commerce Society was formed in March 2006 with the motto "Dreams. Development. Destiny."

Dreams epitomize the truest aspirations and desires which one possesses. Here at XCS, we serve as catalysts helping students accomplish their dreams and manifest them into reality. Development substantiates consistent advancement beginning from the stage of aspiration culminating upto the stage of achievement. The Society aims to aid students build their business and corporate acumen and transform them into individuals prepped and ready to step out into the corporate world.

Destiny refers to the fate of an individual. We believe that one holds the power to their own destiny and we strive to help people accomplish their goals in order to achieve their destiny.

'MISSION STATEMENT'

- > To act as a synonym for professionalism and a body that believes in the quality of the events.
- >To ensure and provide fair and maximum participation of the commerce students in seminars and events in Kolkata and elsewhere.
- > To ensure that all the events have an educational/training/guiding purpose to it and that such purpose is fulfilled.
- > To provide all its members equal opportunities to learn and grow, not only as individuals but also as a team.
- >To appreciate and mutually respect all our members' hard work, initiative and dedication.

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'PROGRESS'

The Xavier's Commerce Society started its journey back in 2006 with the launch of its annual business journal, Youthink. Over the years, Youthink has become a platform for the students of the Department of Commerce to voice their opinions about the socio-political dynamics of the world as well as its corporate implications. Our associations with luminaries such as Mr. Shah Rukh Khan, Mr. Mohammad Hamid Ansari, Mr. Gautam Gambhir, Mr. Sachin Tendulkar, Mr. Narayana Murthy, Mr. Brett Lee and Mr. Sourav Ganguly, among others, is testimony to the fact that XCS has made its mark on an international scale.

The year 2007 witnessed the first edition of our intra-college management competition, X-Calibre. Along with that, we had a plethora of other events such as Inception which is an exclusive corporate simulation event for first year students, Innovision, a compendium of seminars held to guide students in choosing their career paths, and Intelligentsia, a panel discussion with eminent personalities.

Insignia, now in its thirteenth instalment, is our highly anticipated flagship event. Having hosted the likes of Mr. Rahul Bose, Mr. Suhel Seth, Justice Markandey Katju and globally renowned comedians like Tanmay Bhat, Nishant Suri, Rahul Dua, Biswa Kalyan Rath and Kenny Sebastian in the past and having associated with companies like TATA, Birla, Hero, Cadbury, HP, Motilal Oswal and HDFC Bank, Insignia surpasses itself and sets new benchmarks each year.

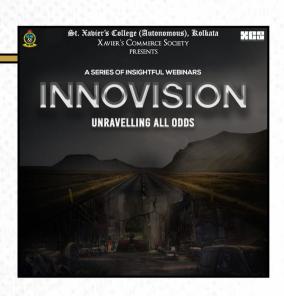
In 2013, we introduced the 'Nationals' competition, a pan-India event, taking Insignia to newer heights. In 2016, we went International for the first time and hosted participants from across the Middle East, Australia, Europe and the sub-continent at the six open events - all of which received a great response. This year, we yet again organised an event exclusively for high school students - Corporate Prodigy, to acquaint them with the corporate world.

This year, as everything moved to an online platform, the Xavier's Commerce Society developed leaps and bounds to attain the dream of an unusual yet seamless academic year. We were among the first to stand against the odds and introduce online events in the college, while maintaining the quality we stand for. Corporates, faculty and participants alike have acknowledged the enthusiasm and vigour with which we carry out our work. We look forward to another year of success and achievements, another year of unbounded learning and another year of redefining the impossible.

XCS EVENTS

INNOVISION (5TH -29TH AUGUST '20)

XCS commenced its activities with an online Innovision, constituting 24 career oriented webinars and workshops by executives of corporates like Reliance Industries Ltd., Tata Digital and Crompton Greaves and personalities like Mr. Shantanu Naidu. For the first time, the event witnessed inter-college participation. It was indeed a remarkable opportunity for the students to witness the pioneers of the corporate world.



INCEPTION (2ND-3RD OCTOBER '20)

Inception serves as the foremost management simulation for the newly inducted first years. We, at the Xavier's Commerce Society strive to test and bolster the pressure coping and composure of the students. The simulations help them gauge a glimpse of the corporate world and what would lie ahead, should they choose to proceed on the trajectory. This event heralds its reputation as one of the most cut-throat events at St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata and we will continue to strive our level best to maintain the premiere nature of the fest.

CORPORATE PRODIGY (5TH-6TH DECEMBER '20)

Corporate Prodigy, the two day management simulation event organized exclusively for the high school students, had a successful edition this year with participation from the best schools across the country. The event aims at giving the participants a glimpse of the corporate world and making them aware of the skills needed to excel in this dynamic world and adapt to the required environment.



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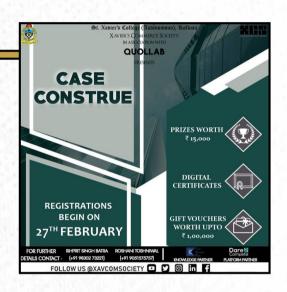
YOUTHINK LAUNCH (6TH FEBRUARY '21)

Youthink, an internationally recognised annual business journal with its own ISSN ID, seeks to provide a platform for enabling individuals to voice their opinions on various business, social and geopolitical issues. This year witnessed the online launch of the fifteenth edition of Youthink with the theme Allegiance, and was commemorated by a panel consisting of eminent personalities including Dr. Vijay Kedia, Investor and Mr. Varun Sridhar, CEO of Paytm Money.

CASE CONSTRUE

As the year witnessed unprecedented difficulties and the primary mode of activities switched to an online medium, this venture of the Xavier's Commerce Society witnessed significant development.

Intricately designed case studies were curated in special association with the Case Connect Club to test and mark the solution solving skills and business acumen of the participants from around the globe in every realm of management.



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INSIGNIA (21st-22nd APRIL '21)

The flagship event of the Xavier's Commerce Society, Insignia, is a name synonymous with irrefutable glory and excellence. This is the singular fest which attracts participation from the top colleges within India, as well as internationally. Insignia aims to provide a holistic platform for participants to develop sound business skills and find their true potential as they compete against top contenders. The theme for Insignia 2021, 'Chronicles of the Uncharted' holds a true testament to the difficulties faced by the society, as we hosted the first ever online Insignia which was truly uncharted territory for one and all.

XCS ALUMNI

As part of the XCS committee, many students have graduated till now and most of them have either been placed in big corporate houses or have started their own business.

Pratik Agarwal, Associate Director, KPMG

Anurag Goyal, Head of Finance -Advertising, Amazon India

Abhishek Bansal, Senior Manager, Ernst and Young

Rishita Das, Assistant Manager, PwC Aakash Bhotika, Assistant Vice President, Swiggy

Shambhavi Choudhary, Chief Manager, ICICI Bank

Shruti Parasrampuria, Manager, KPMG (Singapore)

Gaurav Jain, Assistant General Manager, Aditya Birla Management Corporation Tanuj Gupta, Assistant Manager, CITI Bank

Yashvardhan Goenka, Senior Associate, Boston Consulting

Vikram Kumar, Finance Manager, ITC

Nihit Agarwal, Investment Banking Analyst, JP Morgan

The alumni members have always been an integral part of our society. They have set the benchmark for success and excellence for the young XCSers to follow. Be it in the corporate field, legal field or the food industry, there is always one XCSer who has achieved laurels and brought pride to the society. The journey of two and a half years might end but the bonds stay strong for a lifetime.

It is truly said that you carry the crest wherever you go as people define us more by the actions and the impact we make. The spartan life of a XCSer is truly unmatched and no obstacle is unsurmountable. It is the alumni who make this society a valuable addition in terms of networking and development and we hope their contribution grows over time.

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THE EMINENT PERSONALITIES FEATURED ON YOUTHINK

Mr. Gautam Gambhir, Former Indian Cricketer & Member of Parliament

Mr. Shah Rukh Khan, Actor & Producer

> Mr. Anil Kapoor, Actor & Producer

Ms. Medha Patkar, Social Activist Mr.Mohammad Hamid Ansari, Former Administrator and Diplomat

> Dr. CNR Rao, Scientist

Mr. Gulzar, Poet and Lyricist

> Mr. Shaan, Singer

Lord Jeffery Archer,
Member of House of Commons
Best Selling Author

Mr. Narayana Murthy, Co-founder, Infosys

Mr. Deepinder Goyal, Founder and CEO, Zomato

Mr. Arnab Goswami, Co-founder, Republic TV

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VOTE OF THANKS

The phenomenal success of the Xavier's Commerce Society is a result of the unwavering guidance of our principal, Rev. Dr. Dominic Savio, S.J. His immense faith in our actions has been the guiding light for us and has helped the society strive for excellence. The blessings, encouragement and support of Vice Principal (B.Com Morning), Rev. Joseph Kulandai, S.J., have been a constant source of motivation for this society. We are also indebted to Rev. Peter Arockiam, S.J., Vice Principal (B.Com Evening) who has always been a part of all our ventures and has believed in us at every step of the way, helping us attain new heights with every endeavour. Dr. Amitava Roy, Dean (B.Com Morning) and Dr. Soheli Ghosh, Dean (B.Com Evening) have also been a source of constant guidance and support. Furthermore, our events could not have been materialized without the contributions of our esteemed sponsors, and we are truly grateful to them. What began as an initiative by ambitious young individuals to go the extra mile and excel beyond the traditional syllabi, has now transformed into a proactive community of perpetually motivated future business leaders, who aim to achieve the pinnacle of success in the business world.

Since its inception, the society has evolved into a synonym for professionalism in college as a result of the culmination of years of hard work and effort. Despite all these years, what remains constant is the scope for development, as we always strive to achieve perfection. The destiny that we dream to achieve can only be manifested through constant determination and perseverance. We would like to thank Ayush Garodia and Khushboo Singhal for leading the society as Joint Secretaries for the year 2020-2021, and our entire team of XCSers who carried out their duties with utmost dedication and took the society a notch higher than before.

Prof. Shaunak Roy Assistant Professor Dr. Sumona Ghosh Associate Professor











