

Report on Overseas Admission and Scholarship Seminar

On Thursday, November 2, 2023, Center for Career Guidance and Development, Integral University, hosted a seminar on "Overseas Admission and Scholarship Opportunities." This informative session was designed for final year and pre-final year students pursuing B.Tech in all branches. The guest speaker, **Mr. Anoop Kishore Agarwal, the founder of "My Mentor,"** an institution specializing in undergraduate, postgraduate, Ph.D., and fellowship program admissions in India and abroad, shared valuable insights on overseas study opportunities, scholarships, and career prospects. The primary learning objectives of the seminar were to understand the different overseas study program durations and their benefits to learn about countries offering one-year and two-year course options to gain insights into scholarships and funding options and to understand the importance of employability skills in choosing a study destination. Total of **120 students** were present for the seminar.

Mr. Anoop Kishore Agarwal began the seminar by outlining the various overseas study programs available in the international market. He focused on one-year course options in countries like the UK, Ireland, and Malta, highlighting the benefits of such programs, tuition fees, and the potential for post-graduation employment and residency. He also discussed how these countries offer opportunities for students to obtain permanent residency or visas.

Next, he discussed two-year course options for Masters in countries like Australia, Canada, and the United States. He explained the types of programs and scholarships offered by colleges and governments. He also highlighted the STEM designation in the US, which encompasses branches like engineering and medicine, making it easier for students to obtain visas and work permits. He stressed the importance of employability skills, emphasizing that students should first identify the skillset in demand in their chosen study destination. By aligning their skills with the requirements of the host country, students can maximize their career prospects.

He also provided valuable insights into crafting a compelling Statement of Purpose (SOP) and the significance of Letters of Recommendation (LORs) in the admission and visa application processes. Additionally, Mr. Anoop elaborated on the role of stakeholders, including students and parents, in making informed decisions about overseas education.

During the seminar, Mr. Anoop mentioned the importance of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) in the admission process. He explained how the exam is conducted and the requisite scores for different countries and colleges.

The session concluded with an engaging question and answer round, where students had the opportunity to seek clarifications and insights from Mr. Anoop Kishore. He addressed their queries effectively. The seminar was coordinated by **Dr. Sufia Rehman and Ms. Huma Iqbal** from CCG&D. In conclusion, the seminar was a valuable resource for students looking to pursue their education abroad. The information shared, equipped students with the knowledge and tools to make informed decisions about their academic and professional future overseas.

Glimpses of the session:



Mr. Anoop Kishore Agarwal, Founder My Mentor, making a presentation



Students attending the session

