

Skill Courses offered by the University Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Centre

1. One Month Training Course on Mushroom Cultivation:-

Mushroom Cultivation Course was organised in collaboration with department of Botany, University of Jammu, Jammu from 31st Jan'2020 to 26th Feb'2020. The program was inaugurated by Prof. Manoj K. Dhar Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. The Program was co-ordinated by Dr. Sikander Pal.

Major activities undertaken: The program was aimed at imparting mushroom cultivation practices along with entrepreneurial skill to the youth of UT of J&K. First batch of the Program successfully trained 20 students belonging to different parts of the UT of J&K. Participants besides learning the mushroom cultivation also sharpened their entrepreneurial acumen. After the successful completion of training, about five participants have shown leads in developing MSME projects in collaboration with UESDC, University of Jammu.

2. 15 Days Course on Life Skills:-

A 15 day Life Skills Course was organised in collaboration with Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu for the students of Government Degree College, Reasi through online mode from 4th January 2021 to 22nd January 2021. The program was inaugurated by Prof. Manoj K. Dhar Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and Sh. Talat Parvez Rohilla, Commissioner Secretary, Higher Education. The Valedictory of the program was held on 22nd January 2021 wherein Prof. Naresh Padha was the Chief Guest. The Principal of the college along with other faculty attended the program besides the Convener, UESDC and Director, DLL. The participants of the program in their feedback appreciated the contents of the program and highlighted the need for such program. The Program was co-ordinated by Dr. Pallavi Sachdeva, and Dr. Mukesh.

Major activities undertaken:

- Introduction to Life Skills and Conceptual Basics of life Skills
- Theoretical Foundations of Life Skills: Social Learning theories on Social learning.
- Time Management.
- Study Skills and Memory Techniques Discussions.
- Methods and Strategies for nurturing Self, Jo-Hari Window, SWOT Analysis.

3. Android Programming Course:-

Android Programming Course was organised in collaboration with Department of Computer Science and IT, University of Jammu from 2nd February 2021 to 18th March 2021. The students of the course were trained to develop the android apps independently. Participants were trained with the different technologies associated with the app development like JAVA programming, XML, CSS used in the android, besides back end technologies like SQL for saving the data were also focused. The Program was co-ordinated by Dr. Shubhnanand Jamwal.

Different Apps Developed by the students:

- Elegant Touch
- My SQLite App
- My Media Player

4. One Week Course on Understanding and Screening Learning Disabilities: -

One week Course on Understanding and Screening Learning Disabilities was organised in collaboration with department of Home Science, University of Jammu from 10th March 2021 to 16th March 2021. This unique course prepared the participants to contribute towards the welfare of this special group of individual through their early identification and remedial intervention. Best of the resource persons ranging from psychotherapist, psychiatrist, educationists, researchers and special educators contributed towards designing and execution of the course. The program was co-ordinated by Dr. Sarika Manhas.

The Course was designed with the objective that after its successful completion the trainees will be able to:

- Describe and Differentiate among different types of Specific Learning Disability.
- Describe various approaches and techniques of Screening.
- Apply selected informal and formal screening tools for initial screening of students with learning differences.
- Understand the concept of neuroplasticity and emotional impact of LD.

5. One Week Course on Bamboo, Cane and Straw Crafts development and its Conservation:-

Skill Development Training Program on Bamboo, Cane and Straw Crafts Development and its Conservation was organised in collaboration with Centre for Studies in Museology, University of Jammu and supported by Tripura Bamboo Mission, Government of Tripura from 22nd March 2021 to 27th March 2021. The theme of the Workshop was chosen to align with the University's mandate of skill development and entrepreneurship and by how innovation can help the society to make a transition from "Job Seeker to Job Provider". The program was graced by the presence of Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu. Other present on the occasion were Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, Mr. Sanjeev Mahajan, Joint Registrar Finance, officials from administration, faculty members from various departments of the University of Jammu and many members of the civil society. The workshop was organized by Prof. Poonam Chaudhary.

Major activities of the Program: The students, scholars and faculty members of colleges and schools and people from different levels of society of different parts of India such as Kolkata, Ladakh, Orissa, Delhi and different parts of Jammu and Kashmir took part as trainees in this program. They made different handicrafts products like earrings, rings, necklace, basket, bottle cover, flower vase, dustbin, coaster, hand fan etc. The exhibition of the products made by the participants were also put up in Sheikh Noor-ud-Din Noorani Museum of Heritage, University of Jammu.

6. "5 Days Workshop on Mountaineering":-

A Weeklong workshop on Mountaineering was organised by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu in collaboration with Pir Panjal Adventures, Jammu under the aegis of University Entrepreneurship and Skill development Centre on the occasion of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" w.e.f 25th March 2021 to 31st March 2021. The workshop was a combination of training lectures on different topics including hiking, climbing, CPR, Rappelling, river crossing, food hunting skills, tent pitching and other mountaineering skills as well as a two days field training on above mentioned topics. The workshop was attended by more than 150 students, staff members of the different wings of JU and Baderwah Campus. The Program was co-ordinated by Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba.

7. Signed MoU with JKEDI:

Under the aegis of University Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Centre, University of Jammu signed MoU with J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute on 11th of November, 2021 to promote entrepreneurship and innovation in the Union Territory, Jammu and Kashmir. The partnership will provide an impetus to the Union Territory's entrepreneurial ecosystem. The MOU was signed between Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, University of Jammu, and Mahmood Ahmad Shah, Director JKEDI in presence of Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, Vice-Chancellor of the Jammu University. On this occasion, the hon'ble Vice-Chancellor reiterated the importance of Entrepreneurship as a career option. He stated that the expertise of JKEDI will help in building capacities among various stakeholders. He further said that initially we will start the programs for the students of the University and eventually all the affiliated colleges will also be brought under the ambit and will benefit the students across the Union territory. Director, JKEDI, Mahmood Ahmad Shah said that this collaboration will bring in synergy between the two Institutions and will help in knowledge sharing and building an inclusive entrepreneurial ecosystem.

Both the Institutions will closely work on the cooperation between academia and industry for the benefit of the student community to enhance their skills and Knowledge about Entrepreneurship. Teaching and Training methodology will be facilitated to make the student fit into the entrepreneurial ecosystem meaningfully.

Collaboration in the fields of Research and Development, Skill Development Programs, Faculty Development, and Management Development Programs will be undertaken as a part of this initiative. Prof. Alka Sharma, Convenor, University Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Centre (UESDC) highlighted the need and scope of MoU with JKEDI for enhancing skill among youth and boost entrepreneurship in the Union Territory of J&K. The event was coordinated by Dr Aubid Hussain Parrey.

8. Two Day Simulation based Workshop on Entrepreneurship:

University Entrepreneurship & Skill Development Centre, University of Jammu in collaboration with J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute organized "Two Day simulation based workshop on entrepreneurship" from 21st to 22nd December 2021. The workshop was aimed at inculcating entrepreneurial qualities among the youth and boost the entrepreneurial ecosystem in the Jammu and Kashmir, UT.

The Chief Guest of the event, Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu highlighted the significant contribution of the UESDC in nurturing the talent of young students of the university. He emphasized the need of holding such programs in the future as well so that the culture of innovation and entrepreneurship is created in the UT of J&K. He focused on the feedback of target youth who participated in the said workshop so that their ideas are channelized into real life practice.

On this occasion, Prof. Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs and Coordinator RUSA 2.0, University of Jammu was the guest of honor. He encouraged the students to participate in such events, which hold the importance in shaping their career.

Prof. Alka Sharma, convener, UESDC formally inaugurated the workshop and briefed the participants about the need and importance of the workshop. Around 65 students across different departments of the University of Jammu participated in the workshop. The workshop was Co-ordinated by Dr. Aubid Hussain Parrey.

Major activities performed during the Workshop:

- Awareness about entrepreneurial ecosystem of Jammu and Kashmir.
- Business Idea Generation
- Formulating business plan
- Different simulation based exercises to inculcate entrepreneurial qualities among the participants.
- Different schemes of entrepreneurship

The feedback of the workshop was collected from the participants who rated the said workshop as highly satisfactory.