Annual Report





Alumni Cell KJSCE

2022-23

Summary:

Alumni Cell is a student-centric unit of college directly related and working hand in hand with the alumni of KJSCE as well as ASECA (Association of Somaiya Engineering College Alumni). While ASECA maintains the connection of our alumni with the college, Alumni Cell ensures their engagement with the students. The Cell's main function is to engage the alumni with the college and make them an integral part of the experiential learning curve which is essential for every student in the college. Alumni Cell bridges the gap and helps students to interact with their alumni for their personal and professional guidance. Alumni Cell 2021-22 has managed to engage 59 alumni in all the events conducted throughout the term with most of the events having participation of more than 100 students. Since the inception of Alumni Cell, we have over 4000+ connections, 1362 cumulative members in groups, and 2500+ active post impressions. On LinkedIn particularly, Alumni Cell has amassed a sizable and diverse network.

Date:	Executive Head Alumni Cell KJS
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Structure of Council/Team/Members

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Activity 1: MasterVerse - MS in CS

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of
Activity						Activity
1.	24th	2022	September		MS	Panel Session for
	(Saturday)				Teams	the students
						aspiring to pursue
						MS in CS

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	MECH	Other	Total no of
students /						SVU	participants
faculty						colleges	
FY							90+
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 24th September 2022 Event: Speaker & Panel Session

Eric Schmidt rightly quoted, "The rise of Google, the rise of Facebook, the rise of Apple, are all proofs that there is a place for computer science as something that solves problems that people face daily."

After an enthralling academic year of online and offline events, the Alumni Cell KJSCE was back again with yet another interactive panel session with it being the first for the academic year 22-23. The event saw over 90 participants covering the Second, Third and Last Years and a few faculty members.

The Panel Session was hosted by Akshar Nigam and Aayushi Parmar, members of the Alumni Cell KJSCE.

The panel consisted of KJ Somaiya College of Engineering's following eminent Alumni:

- •Apurva Mehta: A 2018 alumnus from the Computer Science Department, who pursued his MS in Informations Systems from the Washington Information School, Seattle.
- •Ashok Patel: A 2018 alumnus from the Computer Science Department, who has pursued an MS in Information Systems from Kelley School of Business, Indiana.
- Rushin Gindra: A 2018 alumnus from the Computer Science Department, who pursued his MS in Computer Science at Rutgers University, New Jersey
- •Sheetal Thakkar: A 2018 alumna from the Computer Science branch who has pursued MS in Information Systems from Washington Information School, Seattle.

The Panel Session began at 10.00 am with our hosts introducing the panelists for the day, followed by various sets of questions about the lifestyle for Masters in abroad countries, and how to go about preparing for the GREs. They guided our audience very well by sharing their own life experiences and how much their B.Tech notes and studies helped them in the Masters's program. Students were given a roadmap for their master's journey and were able to get all of their questions answered at this session.





Activity 2: FY Orientation

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of
Activity						Activity
2.	6th October	2022	October		Auditorium,	Panel session for
					B507,	the students of FY
					A315,B113,	to provide an
					A225,	overview of
						engineering life

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	MECH	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 6th October, 2022 Event: Alumni Panel Session

A panel session was conducted on the 6th of October, 2022 by the Alumni Cell in collaboration with IQAC, to cater to the needs and provide helpful tips for the first year students of the academic year 2022-23. It was held at various seminar halls in the KJ Somaiya College of Engineering Campus.

The alumni panelists shared their own experiences during their college years, expressed their views on how to spend college life productively and shared personal tips and tricks to get through to success. Each panel session spanned about two hours and thirty minutes. More than 100 students attended the session.

The panelists for the Computer Engineering Department were:

- **Mr Chintan Parekh:** a 2010 Alumnus, Director Of Business Development at Vamas Fashions Pvt Ltd.
- Mr Javed Khatri: a 2015 Alumnus, He's an entrepreneur & Founder of Kustard.
- **Ms Shruti Parab:** a 2016 Alumna, currently working as a Software Engineer at Google in California.
- Mr Jimit Dholakia: a 2018 Alumnus, currently pursuing his Masters in CS from Stony Brook University.

The panelists for the Electronics Computer Engineering Department were:

- Tilak Kakkad a 2013 alumnus, working as Business Manager at Equifax
- Yash Kenia a 2019 alumnus, working as Jr. Security Researcher at Anonymous Organisation
- Gayathri Mahindrakar a 2022 alumna, working as a Business Technology Solutions Associate at ZS Associates
- Pranit Kumar Dash a 2017 alumnus, working as a Associate Solution Advisor at Deloitte
- Pranjalika Shrivastava a 2011 alumna, working as a Major in the Indian Army

The panelists for the Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering Department were:

- Ms. Srushti Aparajit: a 2021 alumna; Consulting Engineer at CISCO
- Ms.Rashi Shah: a 2021 alumna; Decision Analytics Associate at ZS
- Mr. Sanket Vaidya: a 2005 alumnus; Product Head at Utec by Ultratech Cement
- Mr.Chirag Shah: a 2018 alumnus; Co-founder and CEO of RYMO Technologies
- Mr. Tejas Lad: a 2018 alumnus; Software Engineer at Reliance Jio Infocomm
- Mr. Shubham Pareek: a 2018 alumnus; IT-Tech Consultant at MTDC

The panelists for the Information Technology Engineering Department were:

- Vidit Shah: 2012 passout; Co-Founder & CTO at Myfin.in.
- **Pooja Shivratri:** 2015 passout; Senior Consultant at Deloitte.
- Tosh Sharma: 2017 passout; Software Development Engineer at Cimpress.
- **Jay Maru:** 2017 passout; Cyber Security Consultant at EY.

• Sayali Kandarkar: 2017 passout; Associate VP at JPMorgan Chase & Co.

The panelists for the Mechanical Engineering Department were:

Mr. Rishikesh Palve: a 2017 alumnus
Ms. Sanchi Agarwal: a 2016 alumna
Mr. Rupesh Khatri: a 2017 alumnus

• Mr. Saurabh Kulkarni: a 2020 alumnus

• Mr. Pranav Gawde: a 2019 alumnus

Sample Photographs of the Event/Activity







Activity 3: Git-In

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venu	Description of
Activity					e	Activity
3.	25	2022	November	12:30 to	B113	Panel session for
				2:00PM		students to
						understand
						importance of
						Github and
						LinkedIn

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	МЕСН	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							70
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 25th November, 2022 Event: Speaker session

The Alumni Cell of the college organized a speaker session on the 25th of November from 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM in room B113. The session was conducted by two alumni:

- Nishant Gada: 2021 alumnus who is an Associate developer at think360.ai
- **Dhruv Dholakia:** 2012 alumnus who is a Co-founder of three enormous startups, one of which is Togglebytes One Technologies

They spoke about the importance of GitHub and LinkedIn in skill development and career growth. Nishant Gada introduced GitHub as a repository hosting service that facilitates collaboration among developers. He also highlighted the use of various tools for optimizing workflow while working on applications.

Dhruv Dholakia spoke about the significance of a well-written LinkedIn profile in establishing a professional identity and accessing opportunities and networks. He emphasized the importance of regularly updating information and interacting with relevant individuals on the platform

The session was attended by over 70 students who actively participated and raised questions that were answered by the alumni. The event ended with the distribution of a token of appreciation to the speakers. It was a successful event that provided valuable insights to the attendees.





Activity 4: Handover Ceremony 2022

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of
Activity						Activity
4.	21st	2022	October		B507	A small ceremony
	(Friday)					to commemorate
						the previous
						councils'
						achievements

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	MECH	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							20
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 21st October, 2022

Event: Handover Ceremony 2022-23

An annually recurring event of Alumni Cell, the Handover Ceremony was conducted in offline mode in B507, IT Department Seminar Hall on 21st October, 2022 from 3:30 pm onwards. All the team members of the academic year 2020-2021 were invited to pass the baton to the new council of 2022-23.

The event started off with welcoming all the guests followed by a speech from the Executive Head of Alumni Cell 2021-22, Executive Head and Joint Executive Heads of Alumni Cell 2020-21 and Prof Rohini Nair ma'am.

The council expressed their gratitude by providing all the team members with Letters of Appreciation and goodies distributed by Rohini Nair ma'am. All the seniors in the council also addressed a few words where they thanked their peers and motivated their juniors to keep up the astounding work done by Alumni Cell.



Activity 5: MasterVerse 2.0 - Chapter MBA- Ladder to being a leader

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of
Activity						Activity
5.	4th	2023	Febraur	10:00	MS Teams	Panel Session for
	Febraury		y	am		the students
						aspiring to pursue
						career in
						management
						(MBA)

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	MECH	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							60
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

MasterVerse 2.0: MBA was one of such insightful sessions where three of our esteemed alumni provided us with an in-depth understanding of the importance of MBA programs for students and professionals.

The panel session was conducted online on MS Teams on February 4, 2023. It covered diverse topics related to management courses and provided guidance on making the right choice for a successful career.

The panel consisted of three graduates from the Computer Engineering department who obtained MBAs from IIM Calcutta served as mentors for the session which included -

- Miss Sakshi Keste: a 2017 alumna of the Computer Engineering dept.; She pursued MBA from IIM Calcutta in 2019. She is a senior brand manager at P&G.
- Mr. Chinmay Wazalwar: a 2019 alumnus of the Computer Engineering dept, He pursued MBA from IIM Calcutta in 2021. He is a senior associate at Boston Consulting Group.
- Mr. Soham Katkar: a 2021 alumnus of the Computer Engineering dept. He has scored 100% ile in CAT; currently pursuing MBA from IIM Calcutta.

The panel session was hosted by Atharva Chavan and Kudrat Verma, members of the Alumni Cell KJSCE. The speaker session, which began at 10:00 AM, spanned 1.5 hours and marked the attendance of over 60 attendees. The alumni shared their individual experiences and insights on the preparation process for CAT entrance exams, top universities, and the benefits of an MBA. The discussion also compared the opportunities available in India and abroad and covered the career prospects after earning an MBA. The importance of an MBA in the current competitive market and how it can help people become successful leaders in their respective fields were topics of discussion. The alumni also discussed Soham's success and how his arduous work and dedication led to his remarkable performance of scoring a 100 percentile in the CAT exam. Overall, the panel session provided valuable information and insights for students considering an MBA program. It highlighted the importance of management education and how it can help individuals take their careers to the next level. The students could ask questions as the session progressed, and the alumni gladly responded. At the conclusion, the Students were given a roadmap for their master's journey and were able to get all their questions answered, MasterVerse 2.0 was yet another wonderful event.

Activity 6: Chat Along Manoj Pawar

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of Activity
Activity						
6.	15th February	2023	February	3:00PM	B-113	A speaker session, that highlighted the work culture, and journey to one of the biggest Tech companies, Meta.

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	МЕСН	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							45
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LY							
No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 15th February, 2023 Event: Chat Along Manoj Pawar

We rightly believe in what Sadhguru once mentioned, "It is in challenging times that human genius and ingenuity unfold". On that note, The Alumni Cell KJSCE was back again with yet another interactive session seeing over 45 participants in an event that was thought to be impromptu.

The session was hosted by Atharva Chavan and Jossil Johnson, members of The Alumni Cell KJSCE. The single-speaker Chat Along session was conducted by Mr. Manoj Pawar, 2004 alumni currently working at Meta New York Office as a Senior Engineering Manager.

The Speaker Session began at 3 PM with our hosts introducing Mr. Manoj to the event, followed by a talk from our speaker.

During the talk, Mr. Manoj spoke about how an average student like him journeys through all the odds in college, fighting his battles, and now enjoys life as he works as a lead engineering manager at one of the world's biggest tech companies.

Soon after an enthusiastic and enthralling talk by our speaker, the students were boosted and energized to shoot their questions pertaining to life in New York, the work culture at the Meta Head Office, and how he managed his studies while at KJSCE.

The session concluded with our Faculty in charge Ms. Rohnini Nair and Ms Swati Mali handing over the Letter of Appreciation and a hamper as a token of gratitude on behalf of the audience present, and the Alumni Cell.

Mr. Manoj Pawar was pleased to join the audience and the Alumni Cell in being a part of a photograph for the albums!





Activity 7: Datagenics: Dive Deeper into Data

Sr. No. of Event / Activity	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of Activity
7.	2nd March	2023	March	3:00PM		A workshop cum speaker session, that focussed on giving the audience a deeper insight into Data Science

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	МЕСН	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							35
SY							
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No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date: 2nd March, 2023

Event: Datagenics: Dive Deeper into Data

The workshop was hosted by Rohnit Rathod and Kudrat Verma, members of the Alumni Cell KJSCE. The panel consisted of KJ Somaiya College of Engineering's following eminent Alumni:

- Riya Joshi 2022 IT Alumna, Associated Software Engineer at ReBid
- Sharath Dinesh 2022 EXTC Alumnus, Data Analyst at Cointab

The Workshop began at 3:00PM with our hosts introducing the alumni for the day, followed by Sharath Dinesh taking over the stage to introduce the audience to the world of Data Science and talk in general about Data Science.

Sharath focussed on the topic, "A Beginners Guide to Data Cleaning", wherein his main focus was on the various functions and datasets that can be widely used for the different functions.

While Riya highlighted on the topic, "Datascience+Marketing: Exploratory Data Analysis", wherein her main focus was - Data Acquisition, Data Analysis, Data Pre-processing, Model Development, Project Deployment and Serving.

During the course of the Workshop, the audience was asked to register themselves with the Kaggle software and equip themselves with the values and data that the alumni provided, in order to get an easy understanding of the topic.

Our hosts were an integral part of this entire duration as they helped the audience to guide them through the alumni's directions to log in to the Kaggle software and use it optimally.

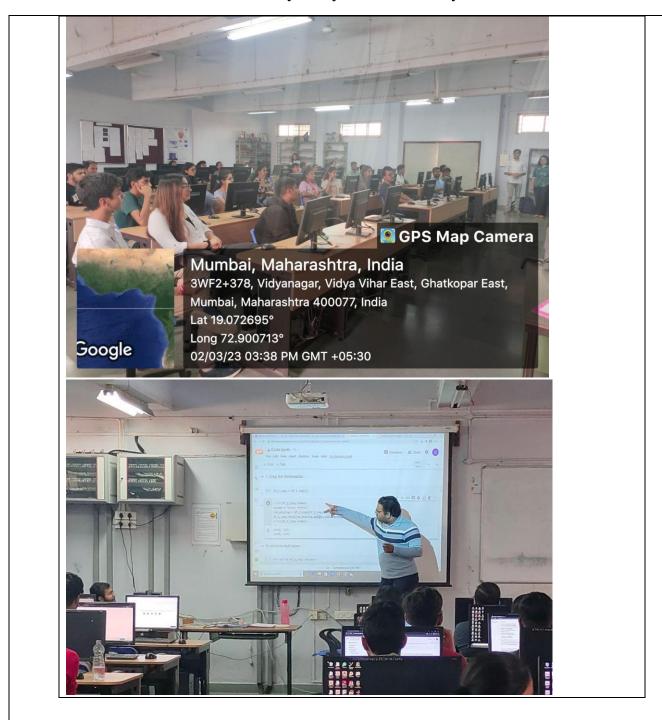
There were questions directed to both the alumni according to their work background and the topics that they'd discussed during the event.

Sharath answered the doubts regarding his work structure as a Data Science Engineer, while Riya spoke on how Marketing can be well integrated through Data Science tools.

The Datagenics Workshop came to an end by thanking the enthusiastic audience for their presence and active participation during the session.

After the event, the winners, if the Instagram Quiz were offered a chance to work with the alumni on a 3-week long project that can boost their knowledge and build their interest in the field of Data Science Both the alumni, were presented with a Letter of Appreciation and a hamper as a token of gratitude

Sample Photographs of the Event/Activity



Activity 8: Alumni Mentorship Program

Sr. No. of Event /	Day/Date	Year	Month	Time	Venue	Description of
Activity						Activity
8.	30th	2023	March	3:00PM	Google	Alumni from various
					Meet	background guided the
						students to build a
						project

Details of participation in the event/activity (Fill wherever is applicable or information is available. At least total need to fill)

No of students / faculty	COMP	ETRX	EXTC	IT	MECH	Other SVU colleges	Total no of participants
FY							
SY							
TY							
LY							75+
No of							
Faculty							

Report of event/activity

Date:14th April, 2023

Event: Alumni Mentorship Program

The workshop was hosted by all members of the Alumni Cell KJSCE in groups. The panel consisted of KJ Somaiya College of Engineering's following eminent Alumni:

- Ayush Blockchain (hosted by Naman Gathani)
- **Divya** Fintech (hosted by Nirav Gujarathi)
- Nikunj Ladani UI/UX (hosted by Nirav Gujarathi)
- Nida Shah UI/UX (hosted by Jossil and Atharva)
- **Chirag Thakkar** AI/ML (hosted by Ameya)
- **Parth** Cybersecurity (hosted by Devesh)
- Yash Cybersecurity (hosted by Jossil)
- **Hardik** Cybersecurity (hosted by Rohnit and Basit)
- **Heeral** -Data Science (hosted by Priyanshu)
- Sharath Data Science (hosted by Naman)
- Yash Mahendra Data Science (hosted by Naman)
- Riya Joshi Data Science (hosted by Jossil and Harshita)
- **Damini** Business Strategy and Development (hosted by Atharva Chavan)
- Zaid faruqi Business Strategy and Development (hosted by Akshar)

The Alumni Mentorship Program, organized by Alumni Cell, started from 14th April, 2023. The event aimed to foster meaningful connections between current students and successful alumni, providing a platform for mentorship, guidance, and professional networking.

The event boasted an impressive lineup of alumni mentors from various fields, including business, technology, arts, and sciences. The diversity of industries represented provided students with a wide range of expertise and perspectives to explore, catering to their individual career aspirations and interests. Students expressed preferences for industries, and organizers paired them with alumni mentors, ensuring compatibility and optimizing the mentorship experience for meaningful connections and focused guidance.

The topics covered during the program were as follows:

Blockchain: The sessions focused on the fundamentals of blockchain technology, its applications across various industries, and the potential for disruption. Alumni mentors shared their expertise in blockchain development, smart contracts, and decentralized applications.

Fintech: The fintech sessions explored the intersection of finance and technology, including digital payments, robo-advisory, peer-to-peer lending, and regulatory aspects. Mentors with experience in fintech startups, banking, and financial services provided valuable insights.

UI/UX: The UI/UX sessions emphasized the importance of user-centered design and enhancing user experiences. Mentors discussed design principles, usability testing, wireframing, and prototyping techniques, sharing their experiences in designing user-friendly interfaces.

Cybersecurity: The cybersecurity sessions addressed the evolving threats and challenges in the digital world. Alumni mentors discussed topics such as network security, encryption, ethical hacking, and best practices for securing data and systems.

AI/ML: The AI/ML sessions covered the latest advancements in artificial intelligence and machine learning. Mentors shared their expertise in natural language processing, computer vision, predictive analytics, and the ethical considerations surrounding AI.

Data Science: The data science sessions focused on data exploration, statistical analysis, machine learning algorithms, and data visualization. Mentors with backgrounds in data analytics and data-driven decision-making provided valuable insights.

Business Strategy and Development: The business strategy sessions aimed to develop students' understanding of strategic planning, market analysis, competitive positioning, and business development. Alumni mentors shared their experiences in managing startups, scaling businesses, and driving innovation

The program consisted of one-on-one mentorship sessions, where students had the chance to engage in insightful conversations with their respective mentors. These sessions covered topics such as career advice, industry insights, goal setting, and professional development. Mentors shared their experiences,

provided valuable guidance, and answered students' queries, empowering them to make informed decisions about their future paths.

The Alumni Mentorship Program held on 14th April, 2023, successfully bridged the gap between current students and esteemed alumni through an engaging online platform. The program's impact is expected to resonate with the participants for years to come, fostering lifelong connections and nurturing future generations of leaders in various industries.

Sample Photographs of the Event/Activity



