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EDITORIAL

Yet another edition is here! After weeks of burying my head in books, I finally am done with my last engineering exams! Well! Ufff! It was a roller coaster ride, just as much fun filled as nerve wrecking it is! But as we were writing our last exam, one look around made me nostalgic that it was the last! Through all those last-minute studies to researching the subject for the first time while sitting in the exam hall! I still remember, when in 1st year, we all were like “Let’s buy foreign author books” and through the coaster ride of eight semesters, it shifted to Indian authors to photo copies of important chapters to hand-written notes to calling up the most studious person in class and saying “Just explain the most important concepts or most probable questions”. Well it’s such an irony, the exam situations when we all thought “When will these get over once and for all?” are now making us nostalgic this way!

Well, like they say something has to end for something else to start! And now it’s a new phase for batch 2016 as we proceed to become the latest batch of UVCE Alumni! Well just one thing in the way, Our Results (hoping they come soon!). Already the students are gearing themselves up with preparation for entering the IT world and joining dates are fast approaching! Good Luck everyone for the new phase you stand to embrace!



As I speak all this about becoming part of UVCE Alumni group, let me ask you Alumni readers, what is the one thing you proudly say while describing about UVCE to anyone? You’ll tell me “C’mon things to tell about UVCE and its heritage? They are infinite!” Well, yes namma UVCE has a lot to be said about but I am very sure you wouldn’t miss a point and that is we are a proud 100 year Old College! YES! The pride and excitement with which we proclaim that, “My College is 100 years old and the stories of its glory and Heritage are never ending!”, that is common amongst every UVCEian.

With the year of celebrations for our 100th mark fast approaching, isn’t it our responsibility to take our pride from mere words & emotion to another level? Well, we Team VisionUVCE have a plan, what say about being part of it?

So to not keep you in the blind spot, here’s more detail to it. We feel we could have an event on large scale for UVCEians say, once in every two months for the next year making it a total of 6 events for the celebrations. This is to make sure that we have more participation from the alumni based on their convenience and have the celebrations spread throughout the year to get “The Feeling”. Now for this to happen it’s not a one man job or a one night work. As the wheels have to start rolling soon for the preparation, we can join our efforts and discuss about further details to take the initiatives forward at your convenience. For alumni wishing to be an enthusiastic volunteer of this, there could be say five coordinators from each batch and they can join in hands to roll out the preparation work for the centenary celebrations. The detailed plan can be sketched based on your thoughts/suggestions. We welcome everyone to share their ideas. To proceed further, we intend to have 2 meetings (physical) in college during July last week and September/October as well as 4 online meetings (Facebook/Twitter) to facilitate people who are interested to join hands but cannot be present.

Well, we can narrow the work by dividing it amongst us and have it done in a more organized way. Few of us could work on interacting with officials of the Government (who need to stretch their helping hand to us for the celebrations), one set of minds to oversee the funds for various initiatives to be a part for the celebrations, few volunteers to research, gather and document data about UVCE and it’s 100 year old historical stories and one more to reach out, widen the alumni network so every UVCEian can be a part of this celebration. Well, this was just a roughly sketched plan by us (not that this should be the only thing to happen, what better than multiple ways to celebrate an occasion? This is just one of the attempts!). To implement this plan we will need you to join hands with us. Let’s work together to make this the most remarkable event in the history of UVCE!

Please write to us or contact us in case of any queries or suggestions or better, to jump onboard and kick start the celebrations!

#UVCE100 #UVCECentenary #ProudUVCEian

-Chitra S Reddy

UVCE IN MEDIA

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SOURCE: RESPECTIVE COLLEGES



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- *Economic Times Article on Jun 29th ([Link to the article](#))*

THE 99-YEAR-OLD INSTITUTE GOING STRONG

UVCE Students Bag a Thousand Job Offers in Spite of Infra Woes

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There is hope.. UVCE has just shown that it is still going strong, inspite of the shortcomings... As we approach Centenary year, this should make us more proud... Kudos to the students, Placement Office on achieving this milestone.. One more proof to say it is a 'student-driven' college..

- VisionUVCE Team

CAMPUS SAYS



We the class of 3rd year EEE had planned a farewell party for our awesome seniors who were of constant support all through. The farewell brought all of us together and we had a fun filled day with them . The games,music and food just added to the fun. Even though it was a bit sad to bid them goodbye, I am sure the party would definitely be the one to cherish for all of us!

- Shruthi S M, 3rd Year EEE



After a lot of discussion, class meetings, planning and work, we finally managed to decide on all the important aspects of the function - the venue, parting gifts and the events. It was an amazing group effort by the people and that is the sole reason why the party was a success.

Coming to the actual function, we were pleasantly surprised to see quite a few of the seniors turn up on time, some even earlier! After a majority of the class had arrived, we started the party by asking Sameep to sing a prayer, which was hilarious! Soon, the other planned events commenced, such as "Find your seat", "Dumb Charades", "Phone Unlock". The Dubsmash event was extremely entertaining, but the best was Mad Ads, where the seniors performed hilarious acts on the completely absurd topics given to them!

All this, combined with the delicious food, lead to a rather lethargic half hour later, but was then spiced up by performances by members of both years. The people were asked to vote for their favourite candidates to contest for the title of Mr and Ms ISE 2017, and after a couple of fun activities, Avinash and Deepika emerged as winners! It was an exciting day, and it was amazing to see the smiles on our seniors' faces as they left. It made all our efforts worth it!

-Aisiri, 3rd year ISE



Every end marks the beginning of something new! The farewell party for our seniors, which happened on the 21st of May,2016 was a grand success! It was memorable occasion where our seniors bid their final goodbyes to their classmates and juniors before they parted ways. We juniors are really thankful for all the help and support they had given us for the past 3 years and we promise to keep the legacy intact.

- Arun, 3rd year ISE





20th may where in we all were enthusiastic to see our amiable seniors and welcome them with roses . and started off farewell party with their talk which produced mirth among all of us. graceful performances and fun filled events brought us joy and yummiest lunch with all of them added some more delight to d party . It was fascinating to see the participation of seniors and fun was at it's aloft . we were very happy to surprise them with d memorable gift . crazy DJ drenched us in dance . it was acerbic to know that the party going to end . but the day was unforgettable with our fantastic seniors . thanks u seniors

-Harshitha, 3rd year ECE



The farewell party that happened on 30th of may was truly an awesome event. The outgoing batch of 2016-CSE had a lot of fun,when they got together for one last time. Somewhere between all the amazing events and the tasty food our seniors bid goodbye to all their friends!



-Rithu, 3rd year CSE



Farewell party for the seniors was pretty fun to organize and host. I did neither, I was in the audience laughing most of the time. I saw that that's what the seniors were doing too. They were having fun, enjoying themselves, making fun of their friends who went up on stage, making jokes that only they could understand (guess there's some history behind those jokes) and apparently just having the best time. They were made to dance in groups and couples regardless of whether they wanted to or not. There are some pretty good dancers among them, and others, well, they made the audience laugh. In other words I think we held a pretty fun party for the seniors where they laughed, made fun of each other and danced, and sang too.

-Sujit DK, 3rd year CSE



GOLDEN DAY

Rangaswamy Dwarakanath, from 1966 batch has shared his memories - both the Golden Jubilee Reunion of 1966 batch that was organized on 9th of June as well as the college days. We are grateful to him for sharing the memories and also couple of black and white photographs of the old times.. Thank you sir!!

As one of the classmates remarked the event was eagerly awaited in terms of weeks, days and hours. All of us were quite eager to see each other after a very long interval. It was a cozy atmosphere in the board room with AC & I was glad to see our retired lecturers (then) M/S Lakshman Reddy and A Veerabhadria. Every one of those present past students were given an opportunity to talk about their career after graduating from UCE. It was extremely satisfying to know that all of them had done great justice to their chosen profession. People had served in both private & public sector undertakings as well as defence. Some of the graduates had served in Universities both in India & abroad. When the announcement came about the forthcoming trifurcation of the Bangalore University, everyone of us were of the view that the present structure & location of the college should be retained. The meet was well organized with refreshing snacks and group photograph taken at the quadrangle. Students will come & pass out but it was very refreshing to see the great trees in front the library building & nicely paved quadrangle.



During our days (first half of 1960s) it was known as five year integrated course (after one year of pre-university). Selection was purely on merit with some exception to accommodate boys from well connected persons. There was interview by a panel of college principals and director of technical education. Everyone was interviewed by order of merit based on PCM marks.



In those days, first three years were common and subjects from every branch of engineering (there were only civil, electrical and mechanical branches) were taught including practicals. Drawing classes were held both in civil and mechanical faculties. Branching into civil/electrical and mechanical faculties was made from 4th year and since mechanical branch was most sought after (due to more job opportunities) merit was the criterion for allocation. Some students who could not get the branch the desired managed to get transfer to other colleges.

Mid-term exams were held in the month of December and some small percentage was added to the final pass marks. Bright students mostly ignored the exams. There was carry over system for maximum two failed subjects which needed to be passed during the current academic year.. More than two subjects failure entailed the loss of one full academic year. There was ample time to sit at home and prepare well for success to continue the next year.

We did have extra curricular activities like sports and some cultural programmes but most of the time it was studying only. Unlike IITs which were new with latest equipment we had to make do with what was available and in the process we were at great disadvantage. Compare this with the present generation having internet and all latest gadgets.

Most of the commuting to college was using bicycles and life was a bit easy going. The five year duration gave opportunity to develop life long friendships and this resulted in our attachment to the college and classmates. It further enhanced our love for our senior students as well as a parental love towards younger generation.



UVCE - WHAT NEXT?

With the end of last edition, you would be wondering saying, What is the story of RTI??

We, at VisionUVCE were always questioned about what is the necessity to raise funds. This was considering that UVCE, a Government College under Bangalore University, should be getting sufficient funds as the assumption. Knowing the true story, we tried to answer in various ways to numerous groups and individuals, but were neither satisfactory nor convincing. So, we thought of applying for RTI and have a testimony to our explanation. And it turned out to be a never ending maze for us. We enquired about the fees collected in past 3 years (2012-15) from UG & PG students and in return what were the funds allocated to UVCE by Bangalore University for the same period. You can find the images of the RTI applied below. If anyone is interested in detail, we can send the pdf file as well.

Well, after 45 days of applying for it, we did not get any response and hence we approached the RTI Cell of Bangalore University in JB campus. After no proper response over the phone, we visited the authorities personally. Through endless roaming around the RTI Cell and 1st floor for numerous times, speaking to different working officials for over 4 hours, we were told it was forwarded to the respective college, as they will need to provide the details. We enquired saying all the fees, be it admission or examination, were paid in form of DD addressing to "Finance Officer, Bangalore University", the required details had to be provided by them. There was no proper answer to this query and our quest got furthered to our college.

The Admission office, when approached, acknowledged the letter received by the Bangalore University but we were told it was a difficult task to collect the details. We were astonished to know that there is not one central point or place in our college where the details were available and to our surprise was the fact that each department had their own fees collection mechanism (For UG exam fees, PG admission and exam fees). We, along with the in-charge person from the office, met the Principal, and were given the rough numbers. But for the exact numbers, we had to approach each department on our own, gather the data and then collate it ourselves before we got it approved. We did not want to go to "First Appeal" w.r.t RTI, in which case the Registrar of Bangalore University would send a letter to authorities (because we were not sure how long that would take again). So, though we were the one who had requested for the information, we agreed to collect it ourselves with the support of Admission office. It has been more than a month since we started this "Treasure Hunt" and we are still accumulating all the information. And even more disappointing fact is, we were told to gather the details from Budget book (of past 3 years) of Bangalore University to know what was the estimates allocated to UVCE. That was one "Herculean" task, which, with the help of some student volunteers, we went through more than 400 pages of document to filter only UVCE related details (remember, these numbers were just estimates promised in Budget which are not sure of being the actuals).

We will keep the complete details shortly in front of you. But the intention of explaining this whole episode was to create awareness among everyone how difficult it is to gather some info, let alone get permissions, when it is a Govt organization/institution. It is very easy to raise questions, but have we tried to get relevant answers to those queries? Did we put effort in the direction rather than just doubting the motive behind every effort? Well, the other reason is we need senior alumni to take up this issue in the right platform. We have many alumni who are well-known in their fields and when they raise questions, based on the facts, we are bound to see them echo at various levels (media/University/Govt etc)

We will provide all the details & support required accordingly. We request the senior alumni to consider this when we discuss about Centenary celebrations.

The Right to Information Act 2005
Application for obtaining information

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CIO Registrar,
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Kuvempu Road, Central Bhavan, Bangalore,
Karnataka- 560006

SUB: The total amount of Fees collected by Bangalore University from UVCE in the past 3 years and the amount spent on infrastructure development.

Dear Public Information Officer:
Under the Right to Information Act 2005 Section 6, I need some information. The details of the information are as follows:

1. Details of the applicant
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2. Period to which the information relates: 2012-2015

3. Details of information

BACKGROUND:
We, from VisionUVCE, are alumni of UVCE - first Engineering College in Karnataka, which is currently under Bangalore University.

In light of the above description, please provide me the following information:

1. The total amount of Fees collected by Bangalore University from UVCE in the past 3 years (Admission Fees, Exam Fees etc., for all B.E, M.E & PG Students)

2. The total amount spent on UVCE (infrastructure development and other such activities) in the past 3 years with breakup of these details

4. Application fee details:
Encl. Application Fee of Rs. 10/- by P.O No:52F-468007 Pay To: State Public Information Officer


5. Below Reason are for your kind information and consideration

a. As per section 6(1) of the RTI Act 2005, in case, the requested information is held by another public authority, I request the PIO to transfer the application or part of it within FIVE days and immediately inform me about such transfer.

b. As per section 7(3) of the RTI Act 2005, in case, there are further fees required to provide the requested information, I request the PIO to inform me of the additional fee amount along with the calculations made to arrive at the amount.

c. As per section 7(8)(ii) and 7(9)(i) of the RTI Act 2005, I request the PIO to inform me of the particulars of First Appellate Authority.

6. Declaration
I declare that I am a citizen of India/PIO or OCI Card Holder.

Yours faithfully,


During this quest, we also found out many other issues, which need to be tackled by the University. In Electronics department, there are no office staff, due to which lot of tasks continue to be pending. The results for the students were delayed, due to which dates for the examinations were announced late. The students need to wait for long hours to collect their hall-tickets just before the examinations. All this will lead to bad image about the college. We have heard many students who volunteer with us in numerous college activities say that they have advised many PU students not to join UVCE. This is a depressing fact, and we are completely speechless on how to address/answer such problems (which are very genuine for every student as it decides their future)

We have much more to discuss - both issues and how they can be sorted, but, for a moment, let's snap out it and think about positive things. With all the shortcomings and issues (listed so far and to be listed going forward), when we hear achievements of our students, shouldn't we all need to feel proud? Be it getting more than 1000 job offers this year or representing college in various technical events, presenting research papers & presentations from IEEE/SAE or participating in sports/cultural activities with all the limited support/encouragement, we would want to reiterate that UVCE is a "student-driven" college. We will continue the article in next edition with more details. Meanwhile, here is a picture we want you to look and guess the location.



As mentioned earlier, in this series of articles, we will also share the thoughts of our alumni about the college. Arif sir from 77 Batch has always been questioning the involvement of Civil and Architecture Department students and our (VisionUVCE Team) efforts to bring them along with other branch students. Here is what he had to say to us in his recent mail interaction-

First of all the faculty of all disciplines should interact and be on a common platform with due understanding of each other's views, ideas and suggestions. Their common goal should be in the interest of UVCE and not to seek individual discipline, recognition, prominence and domination over each other as seems to be the present case. Once this goal is achieved the faculty of each discipline can guide and direct their students who would definitely listen to their Professors and Lecturers how to be on a common ground and participate in all activities and work together as one of UVCE in the interest of maintaining and trying to achieve the status you are seeking for UVCE.

At present, my observation of the past few years is that UVCE is disintegrated. Each discipline is functioning independently. There doesn't seem to be any unity among the various disciplines. You all should know that united you stand and divided you fall. So go ahead and discuss the issues with your faculty and colleagues and students to find ways to reach out to all disciplines in a way that you gain their confidence and give due respect and consideration to their views, ideas, thoughts and suggestions. Only then you can become a force to reckon with and will be able to achieve the desired goals and status for UVCE.

I don't think UVCE would have been in the present status, if the Civil and Architecture disciplines were not moved out to Jnana Bharati campus and had remained at the KR circle location.

- Satish A G, VisionUVCE Team

LIFE @ UVCE - TV SERIES

Like many of my classmates, I came to the UVCE because I desired a college that would be easy with attendance, best placements, near-to-house, City Centre.

Four years ago, when I joined UVCE in EEE branch, had an earful of Orientation about college, Founder Visvesvaraya and mainly, a faculty's life history. Then came another round of counselling which put me to Information Science, even when the remaining seats were less (I thank my lucky stars). I made it!! A dream come true! Six days in a week, seventeen weeks in a semester, two semesters in a year, four years in UVCE. Assuming that all holds true, that's eight hundred and sixteen episodes.



Series premiere – Orientation, and as it progresses through chain of seasons where plots thickens and characters develop (or change ;)).

Flash back to the first season, people were new, difficulty to connect names and faces. Then came Fresher's Party, Birthday Treats and then the season finale - exams were delayed!! Our movie outing !! Woohoo !

Second season started with a relative slower pace, Labs, Drawing, easy semester and an aim to score good marks atleast in this semester, but not for me, for I had the good luck to score a 0 in Physics ;) (Well that turned out to be 68). In the end we packed to Kodaikanal!

Third season where we are no longer fresher's and we gave a welcoming party to our juniors. Went to a few treks. There were some good moments, Cubbon Park memories, Museum. Enjoying the engineering life !

Fourth season where the series moved a little too slow, some people got written off and some got written in. You'll have to go through that phase cause in the end it's about the survivors isn't it?

Fifth season, friends were now getting computers and laptops, watching TV series, movies and visiting friend's places, Surprise Birthday Celebrations. Some main people blended into the background; guest stars became series regulars.

Sixth season is one where some of us were anxious about placements, Aptitude, Technical Preparation, while I had an opportunity to work in Placement Office, and could contribute to College by making an Online Placement Portal for registrations, no more queues inside PO, and a lesser burden on PC's ! Hop on to Modi's Digital India :D

Seventh season is blurred with bunking classes and classes weren't held much due to our batch placements. Congratulations messages, while "When will I get placed" thoughts and doubts such as "Is that person better than me". :/

Eighth season was relatively a smooth one, classes, labs, internals just passed. Then came the Goa trip, (for you won't be an Engineer if you don't go there :P, that means I'm not an Engineer :O) Milagro was a fun filled event and I got the chance to be the Milagro coordinator. #onelastinternals of somewhat empty Bluebooks and enjoyment. And then, the series finale. Finally Graduated.

I thank all my classmates, batchmates for making me who I am, and grateful to especially a few whom I will never be able to forget. Thanks Guys!! Either way, all UVCEians combine to form part of my backstory. Part of me. Engineering in UVCE is completely different from other colleges, be it internals, exams, Canteen, attendance, mainly for me – in developing a tuned sense of for recognizing “free food”.

Today, I have completed my engineering, have three pre-placement offers – all from good companies. I would like to say just one thing to all engineering aspirants – “RVCE, BMSCE, PESIT, MSRIT or not, if you have it in you, you will make it. Good Luck!”

I would like to end it by making every engineering students remember something.....

Till Class 10 : “study till boards after that you can do whatever you want.”

Class 11-12: “ Its only 2 years more after that it like picnic in the college !!

After entering into an engineering college and getting average percentage : “you were not like this, what happened to you, study hard to get placements if you want to live a happy life”

#UVCEremembers

#Batchof2016

#ProudUVCEian



- Kaushik K N, Final Year ISE

WHY JOIN UVCE?

UVCE is among the best colleges in the country and among the oldest too. There are many many reasons to join UVCE, and I in this article will try to outline a few.

One of the very first things that stand out is the amazing amount of free time one gets at UVCE, in other colleges however, the students are regularly bombarded with exams and tests and surprise quizzes. The students at UVCE can utilize this extra time in developing soft skills and pursuing other interests. Some of the students at UVCE are involved in research activities in as early as 2nd year which is a result of them not being bogged down by hectic classes all the time. Once a student enters UVCE the student automatically learns to learn on his own. Learning on one's own is always a good thing. Unlike some other colleges, UVCE does not spoon feed the syllabus to its students. Also the syllabus of Bangalore University cannot be found in just one book and hence the students end up referring to more than one author while studying the subject, which is very good in the long run.

One of the common complaints I hear from my friends from other institutions is how little they communicate with their seniors. I can safely say that in UVCE the seniors are everything. They are the guides, the mentors and sometimes even teachers. They advice on everything from which book to buy for a certain subject through which classes I can safely bunk to which graphics card I need to buy for my computer. Ultimately this relationship leads to the creation of a wide network of people in my field who I can approach at anytime for anything. UVCE has a massive alumni base spread out around the country and the world, some of whom



occupy important positions in big organizations. Some alumni visit the campus to interact with the current batch of students and offer them an insight into the industry and much more. Some of the younger and more recent pass-outs also involve themselves in the activities and fests that happen in the campus.

UVCE organizes four fests in its campus. These fests comprise of various technical and cultural activities designed to test the varied skills the students posses. One of the best events that I participated in during my first semester was the mock placement event. The event was a simulation of the actual process of campus recruitment that the companies undertake. Even though I did not win, I found out exactly why I did not and what areas I needed to work on to be more recruitable .The event was a fantastic learning experience. I also had the opportunity to talk with some of the best placement trainers there are. One takes a lot back from such activities. Also, during the many fests, I volunteered for some of the events. I have realized that Volunteering is a fun job, where not only i learned about the many things that go into the making of a fest but also I learned to make sure the event proceeds smoothly without hindrances. This taught me to be a more efficient team player and to individually manage a given responsibility. These are some very important traits that one must develop and I am glad my college played a part in me learning a few.

Contrary to the opinion of some ill informed people the lecturers at UVCE are some of the best. Most of the lecturers at UVCE hold doctorates & are highly reputed in their respective field. As a result UVCE is one of the best engineering colleges in India and is highly regarded in universities abroad.

Also unlike other colleges which admit students on the basis of management and COMED-K, UVCE only admits students through CET, those being some of the highest rank holders in the state. Hence, all the students at UVCE are meritorious. This creates a great learning atmosphere.

For most people the engineering course is a gateway to the world of high paying jobs and UVCE does a fantastic job of delivering it to them. Through the efforts of the placement and training center the final year students at UVCE walk away with multiple job offers. Some students at the time of graduation have 4 and even 5 offers to choose from. The placement office at UVCE prides itself in providing the students with "the" job and not just "a" job. To quote some statistics, In the year 2010-2011, 923 job offers were received by a total of 400 to 450 students in the college with Cognizant being the highest recruiter. One of the unique things about the placement office at UVCE is that two students in their final year from each department get to be placement coordinators for one year during their final 2 semesters. The Placement office at UVCE is one of the few where students get to interact with the industry HR and invite them to the campus for placements. The placement records at UVCE are among the best in the state.

Finally, I would like to say that studying at UVCE has been fun for the one year that I have been in it. The bottom line is that UVCE is the best option for students who do well in their CET.

- Kaushik Dutt, 2014 ([Borrowed from his Blog](#))