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**CHANAKYA**  
**UNIVERSITY**  
*Rooted in ideals • Ascending with ideas*

School of  
Arts, Humanities  
and Social Sciences

# Reimagining Social Sciences

*for understanding the shared past  
and shaping a common future.*

With Artificial Intelligence attempting to reshape the landscape of education itself, one must ponder:

*What do*

**humanities**

*offer as a career of*

**opportunities?**

It's  
about...

PERSPECTIVES

Artificial Intelligence can analyse data as well as write a code to automate the very process of data analysis. It can also create images or even write poetry. But it can't read the room. It can hardly sense hesitation in someone's voice or know when silence says more than words.

At Chanakya University's School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences; we shape the thinkers every industry will need next: professionals who combine emotional intelligence with creative insight and storytelling with strategy.

Because in a world run by algorithms, it's the human touch that drives innovation, leadership, branding, diplomacy, counselling and change. And, humanities shape the very attitudes that define excellence in these fields.

Are you ready to become a psychologist, a political scientist, an economist, or a development professional, who knows how to read the pulse - of people, society and the times.



## **Prof. Sandeep Nair**

Dean,  
School of Arts, Humanities  
and Social Sciences  
Chanakya University

The world is under a transition driven by trans-disciplinary learning. Students, parents, and universities are moving decisively toward STEM education i.e., in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. It seems logical to follow the trend.

Look closely at the world of work today. There are mass layoffs in the very industries that once promised lifelong stability. The nature of technology its changing faster than our ability for adoption.

In contrast, careers in the humanities evolve differently. They grow through mentorship and maturity. Like a career of a surgeon, they often reach their peak later in life, when experience become your greatest tools. Writers, teachers, economists, policymakers, psychologists: they do not retire from relevance; they grow into it.

This, therefore, is an invitation to pause and understand the immense possibilities and career oppertunities in the world of humanities.

If your heart beats faster when you talk about exploring arts, economics or language; if you find yourself questioning and interpreting the world around us in new ways; then perhaps it's not just curiosity. Perhaps, it's your calling. At Chanakya, we help you turn that calling into a life of purpose.

**PURPOSE**

# Our Offerings



## Political Science & International Relations (4 Years)



B.A. (Hons.) Political Science & International Relations (4 Years)

B.A. (Hons.) Political Science & International Relations (4 Years)

With Civil Services Embedded Preparation Minor Track

## Economics



B.A. (Hons.) Economics (4 Years)

B.A. (Hons.) Economics (4 Years)

With Civil Services Embedded Preparation Minor Track

M.A. Economics (2 Years)

## Psychology



B.Sc. (Hons.) Psychology (4 Years)

M.Sc. Psychology (2 Years)

## Diploma & Fellowship



Chanakya Fellowship in Social Sciences (1 Year)

## Interdisciplinary Post-Graduate Programs



M.A. Sanskrit Studies (2 Years)



M.A. Media & Strategic Communication (2 Years)



M.S.W. (Master of Social Work) (2 Years)

*\*PhD Programs in the above disciplines*

## Political Science and International Relations

4 Years B.A. (Hons.)

This program helps students understand how politics shape the world. It explores governance systems, global relations, diplomacy, and public institutions by connecting theory with real-world practice.



**Dr. Cord Jakobeit**

Professor of Political Sciences, University of Hamburg

### The World Order in Flux

This panel discussion examined shifts in the global order, including the decline of unipolarity and the rise of multipolar power centres in international relations. Consequentially, it explored geopolitical uncertainty and India's strategic positioning in a transforming world



**Prof. Walter Russell Mead**

Professor of Foreign Affairs and Humanities, Bard College; Distinguished Fellow in Strategy and Statesmanship, Hudson Institute

### Global Political Transitions and American Readiness

This public lecture examined shifting global political orders and questioned the preparedness of the United States for emerging transitions.

It analysed strategic, institutional and civilisational factors shaping American foreign policy in an era of geopolitical realignment and uncertainty.

LEADERSHIP

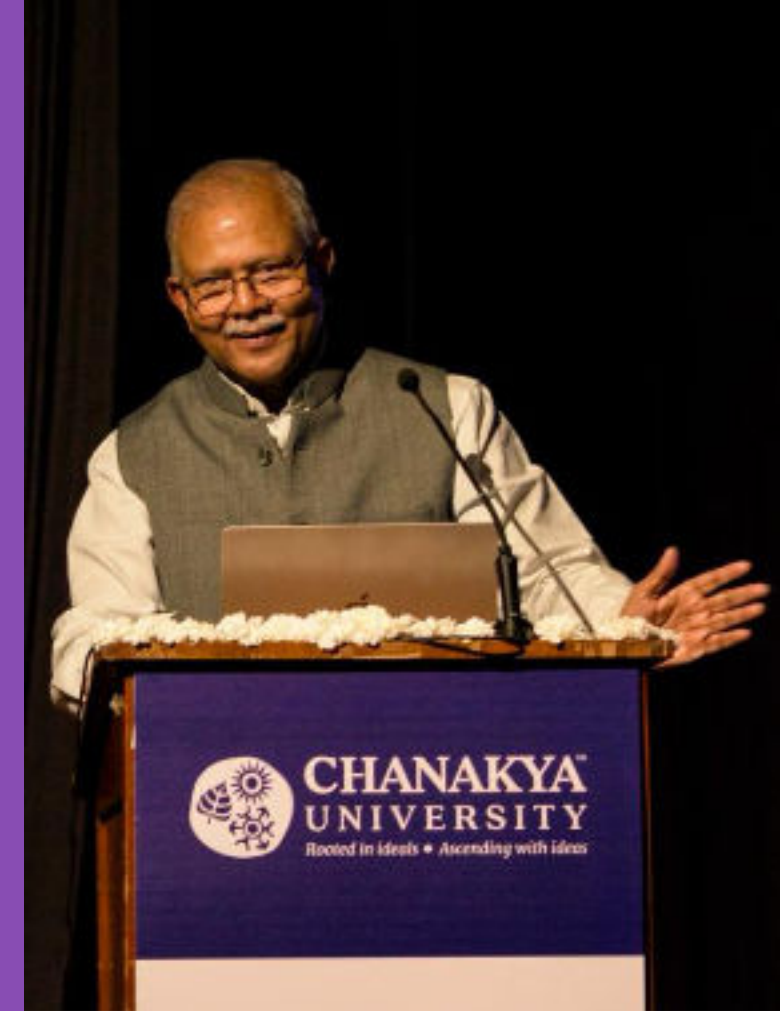


## Energy and Geopolitics in a Fragmenting World

**Dr. Peter Hefele**

Policy Director, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies

During the annual Indo-European Summer Academy at Chanakya University, Dr. Peter Hefele analysed the geopolitics of energy amid climate transition and strategic competition. He highlighted how energy security based political alliances are reshaping global power dynamics across Europe and Asia.



## Towards Neighbourhood First 2.0

**Ambassador Ashok K. Kantha**

Chair Professor, Subhas Chandra Bose Chair on International Relations, Chanakya University; Former Ambassador of India to China

In this Distinguished Lecture, Ambassador Ashok K. Kantha discussed India's Neighbourhood First 2.0 policy framework. Drawing on over 38 years of diplomatic experience, he analysed India's regional strategic challenges and opportunities for strengthening cooperation with neighbouring countries.

## Political Science and International Relations as One Continuum

Going beyond the traditional compartmentalisation of Political Science and International Relations, this programme equips learners to analyse governance and global challenges in an interconnected world, integrating domestic politics with international dynamics and comparative perspectives.



### America at the Crossroads

**Prof. Paul A. Barresi**

Professor of Political Science and Environmental Law, Southern New Hampshire University  
 Adjunct Professor of Law, Sun Yat-sen University, China  
 Visiting Professor, Chanakya University

In this course, Prof. Paul A. Barresi examined the evolving structures of American democracy, analysing the two-party system and constitutional foundations. The sessions encouraged critical reflection on governance and sustainability within the broader context of global political change.

Through debates, research projects, panel discussions and internships, learners develop analytical skills that prepare them to engage with India's rapidly changing public and global landscape.

### Specific Career Opportunities for Professional Excellence



# Economics

4 Years B.A. (Hons.) | 2 Years M.A.

Economics here goes beyond curves and equations, it's about understanding how choices shape lives and nations. The program introduces learners to micro and macroeconomics, development theory, public finance, international trade, behavioural economics, and policy design.

Students learn to analyse and interpret data to see how economic decisions connect with governance.

With a balance of theory and real-world application, the program prepares students to engage meaningfully with India's growth story in both private and public sectors.



## Localized Solutions for Global Poverty Challenges

This distinguished lecture emphasised the importance of context-specific approaches to poverty alleviation. Drawing on global development experience, it highlighted how local knowledge and region-rooted policy design enable effective risk management and sustainable responses to poverty.

### Professor Jean-Louis Arcand

Professor of International Economics, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

GROWTH

## Economics Beyond Growth Metrics

The MA Economics programme engages with markets, public policy, sustainability, and institutions, moving beyond GDP-centric analysis. It enables learners to understand economic challenges through insights drawn from practitioners and scholars actively shaping policy, development, and sustainable economic practice.



## Process Reforms: The Road to Viksit Bharat

Delivered as part of the Chanakya Distinguished Lecture Series, Sri Sanjeev Sanyal focused on process and governance reforms essential for India's transition to a developed economy. He highlighted institutional efficiency and the shift from rule-based systems to outcome-oriented governance frameworks.

## The Future of Innovation and Sustainable Infrastructure

**Sri John Colgrove**

Founder and Chief Visionary Officer, Pure Storage

In this session, Sri John Colgrove examined how technological innovation shapes sustainability. He highlighted infrastructure as a social enabler, emphasising environmental responsibility to building resilient digital systems that support equitable economic growth and societal progress.



## Viksit Bharat 2047: A Sustainability Roadmap

**Prof. Nirupam Bajpai**

Senior Development Specialist and Director, South Asia Program,  
Center on Global Economic Governance, SIPA, Columbia University

In this lecture, Prof. Nirupam Bajpai outlined a long-term sustainability roadmap for achieving Viksit Bharat 2047. He discussed development financing, situating India's growth ambitions within global economic governance frameworks and sustainable development goals.



## Graduate Employability and Skills Integration strategy for India's Labour Market

**Dr. Shamika Ravi**

Member, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister

During the Foundation Day Address, Dr. Shamika Ravi highlighted the strategy for integrating skills and employability attributes for addressing the human resources gap in India's labour market the emphasis is on the role of higher education Institutions in aligning with India's economic rise in facing global challenges and opportunities of dynamic growth, underscoring urgent policy and curriculum reforms.

## Specific Career Opportunities for Professional Excellence

### Employment

- Banking and financial services
- Investment analysis
- Credit assessment
- Risk management

### Professional Practice

- Corporate consulting
- Social impact consulting
- Market research & business analytics
- Sustainability consulting
- Economic forecasting

### Entrepreneurship

- Financial services startups
- Economic research and analytics ventures
- Data-driven business solutions

### Social Sectors

- Work with NGOs and think tanks
- Development programmes and policy initiatives
- Roles in international organisations
- Inclusive growth and welfare projects

### Academic and Research

- Data analytics and statistical modelling
- Economic research and applied analysis
- Academic and research careers



# The CSEP Pathway

## Civil Services Embedded Program

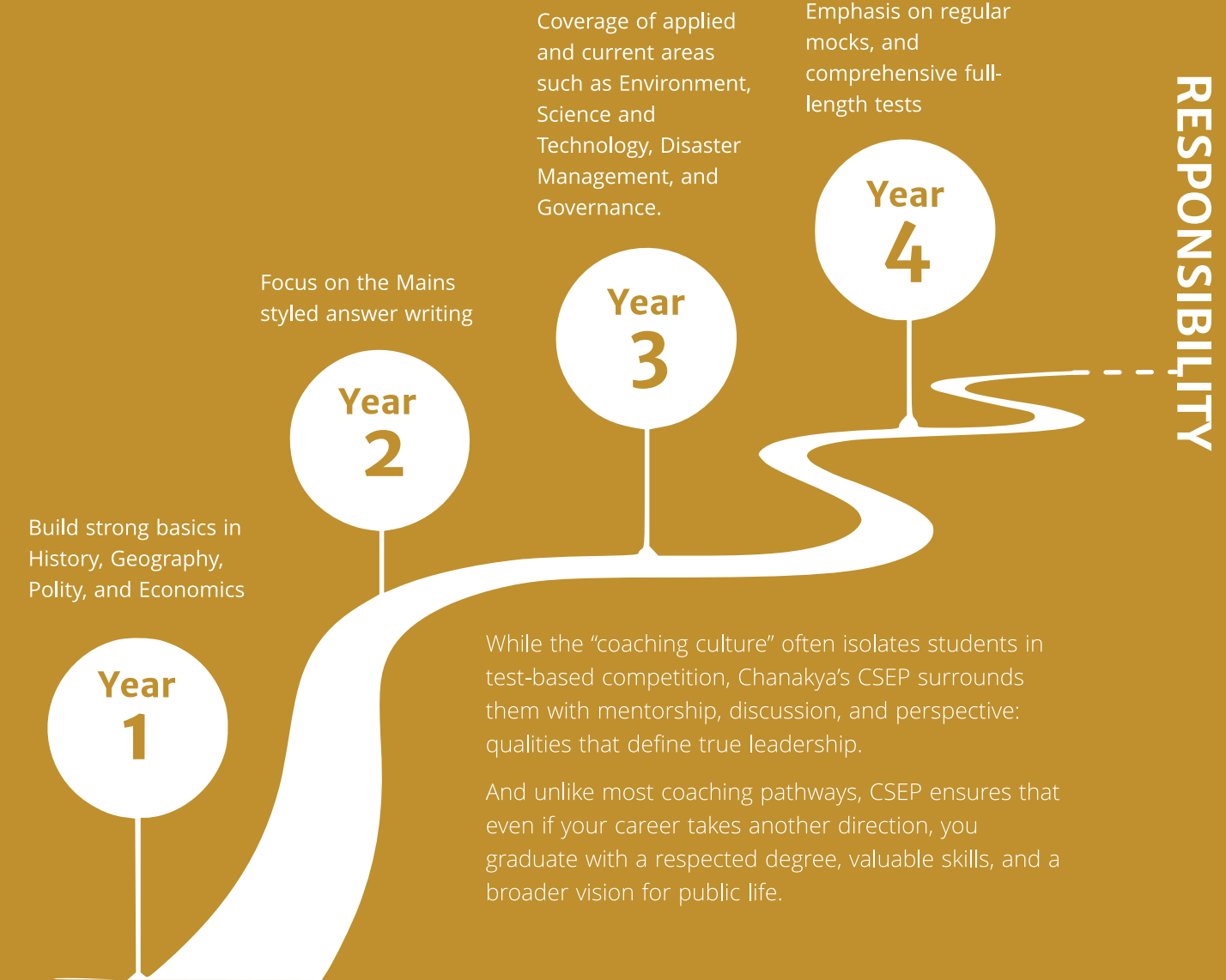
How about not waiting and then wasting years in the cramped, poorly conditioned coaching centres of Delhi?

At Chanakya University, we believe Civil Services preparation shouldn't begin after graduation; it should grow with it.

That's why we created the CSEP Programme: a unique, integrated degree pathway that allows you to earn your B.A. (Hons.) in Political Science or Economics while simultaneously preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination.



## Why Choose CSEP over Coaching?



While the "coaching culture" often isolates students in test-based competition, Chanakya's CSEP surrounds them with mentorship, discussion, and perspective: qualities that define true leadership.

And unlike most coaching pathways, CSEP ensures that even if your career takes another direction, you graduate with a respected degree, valuable skills, and a broader vision for public life.



## Honouring UPSC Achievers

**Distinguished civil service achievers and mentors associated with Chanakya University**

This felicitation event celebrated candidates who successfully cleared the UPSC Civil Services Examination. It recognised perseverance, disciplined preparation, and academic excellence, while inspiring future aspirants and reinforcing Chanakya University's commitment to nurturing public leadership and excellence in competitive examinations.



## Diplomacy and Statecraft for the Civil Servants

**Ambassador N. Parthasarathi**

Former Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer;  
former Ambassador of India

Drawing from a distinguished diplomatic career, Ambassador N. Parthasarathi engaged civil services aspirants on the realities of foreign policy linking UPSC preparation with practical insights into diplomacy for India's role in a changing global order.



**Sri C V Gopinath**

Former Additional Secretary to the Government of India;  
Indian Economic Service (Retd.)

### **Kashmir, the Crown: History, Statecraft and the Idea of India**

The talk examined Kashmir's historical centrality to Indian statecraft, its strategic and civilisational significance, and the security dimensions shaping its contemporary realities. Drawing on governance experience, the session connected history with security perspectives.

### **Learn Polity from Those Who Have Shaped It**

The CSEP programme is not a coaching programme; it's a comprehensive academic ecosystem.

You learn the same subjects that form the foundation of the UPSC syllabus: Indian polity, economy, history, geography, ethics, international relations, and governance but all within a well-structured university framework.

Alongside your core major courses, you build strong writing skills, and engage in debates that provide a deeper understanding of how India actually works.

Students are mentored by faculty and professionals who have lived public life: former civil servants and diplomats periodically.

You also receive structured exam guidance through our academic collaboration with Samkalp IAS, New Delhi, one of the country's most respected institutions for Civil Services training.



### **Orientation Program of Youth Red Cross**

The Orientation Program of the Youth Red Cross (YRC) Unit was organized to introduce students to the principles and humanitarian mission of the Indian Red Cross Society and to encourage active student participation in community service through the YRC Unit.

The speakers for the session were Sri Bhaskar Rao, IPS (Retd.), Vice President, Indian Red Cross Society, Karnataka State Branch, and Sri Umakant, General Secretary (I/C), Indian Red Cross Society, Karnataka State Branch.

### **Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and Its Implications for Policing in India**



**Sri Rajashekara N**

Indian Police Service; Director, Central Detective Training Institute, Hyderabad and Bengaluru

This special talk examined the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and its impact on India's policing and criminal justice framework.

It discussed legal reforms offering practical insights into how the new code reshapes law enforcement and public safety.



CSEP students visited the Vidhana Soudha and the High Court of Karnataka to observe legislative and judicial institutions in action.

The visit translated constitutional theory into lived understanding of governance associated institutions.



CSEP students undertook an immersive visit to the Bengaluru Traffic Management Centre (BTMC), gaining firsthand exposure to smart urban governance. The experience connected public administration and policy concepts with real-world applications in traffic management for citizen-centric service delivery.

## Key Highlights

Dual Pathway: Earn an Honours degree while preparing for UPSC: no gap years wasted.

Academic-Exam Integration: Courses aligned with UPSC General Studies and optional subjects.

Mentorship by Experts: Guidance from academics, former civil servants, and policy practitioners.

Collaboration with Samkalp IAS: Access to India's top Civil Services training expertise.

Beyond the Exam: Leadership development, writing labs, ethics training, and policy workshops.

Career Flexibility: Opens doors to government, policy research, NGOs, think tanks, journalism, and academia.

For those  
who prepare  
from the  
**start**



## Interaction with the Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts

Chanakya University hosted a prestigious moot court competition with distinguished judges including Justice K.B. Nagesh Prasad (Judge, High Court of Karnataka), Justice S.V. Bharti (Member, KSAT), Hon'ble Mr. Justice C.M. Joshi (Judge, High Court of Karnataka), and Hon'ble Ms. Justice E.S. Indiresh (Judge, High Court of Karnataka), providing students a platform to legal reasoning through rigorous competition rounds judged by eminent legal luminaries.

## NEP 2020, University Leadership, and Institutional Transformation

**(Late) Dr. K. Kasturirangan**

Chairman, International Advisory Council; Chanakya University  
Former Chairman, ISRO

This interaction with the faculties and students was to discuss the university's future under the National Education Policy 2020.

The interaction focused on institutional vision and interdisciplinary structures and how Chanakya University can leverage NEP frameworks to build innovation capacity and long-term societal relevance.



## Key Transitions in the Indian Economy

**(Late) Dr. Bibek Debroy**

Padma Shri awardee; Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister; Chancellor, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics

This lecture analysed structural transitions shaping India's economic trajectory, including digital transformation, and policy interventions. It examined growth projections, and long-term development pathways, situating India's evolution within global economic shifts and future-oriented institutional frameworks.

# Psychology

4 Years B.Sc. (Hons)| 2 Years M.Sc.

The Psychology programs explores the science of the human mind and behaviour: how people think and interact.

Students study cognitive processes, emotional development, social behaviour, personality, and mental health, blending theory with hands-on learning through experiments, case studies alongside community engagement.

The program nurtures both analytical and emotional intelligence: equipping students to understand human motivation and apply psychology to real-world challenges in workplaces and society.



## Fundamentals of Indian Psychology

**Dr. Vinayachandra Banavathy**

Visiting Faculty, Ghent University  
Chief Consultant, Strategic Initiatives, Chanakya University

As Visiting Faculty at Ghent University, Dr. Vinayachandra Banavathy delivered a lecture on the fundamentals of Indian Psychology and the traditions that have shaped it so far. Starting from Samkhya Darshan, he traced the evolution of modern Indian Psychology. Drawing comparatives from the other civilisational inquiries made in the realm of psychology, he emphasized for a constructive approach.



## Psychophylaxis: Mental Hygiene and Preventive Well-Being

**Dr. M. V. Vasudevan**  
Physician and Counsellor

This talk examined psychophylaxis as a preventive approach to mental health. It emphasised emotional regulation, integrating insights from neuroscience with Indian knowledge traditions to promote mental hygiene beyond the treatment of illness.



EMPATHY



## Psychodrama: Healing through Theatre

**Dr. Radhika Jain**  
Applied Theatre Practitioner, Certified Psychodrama Director,  
Psychotherapist, and Co-founder & Artistic Director of the First  
Drop Change Foundation, Bangalore.

Psychodrama, developed by Jacob L. Moreno, is an action-based therapeutic method that integrates role-playing, improvisation, and group interaction to promote healing, insight, and self-awareness.

## National Conference on Mental Health

The two-day National Conference on Health, collaboration Chanakya University, CADABAMS, and Rajiv Gandhi University, focused on two key themes: Digital Dependency and Its Effects on Mental Health and Family Dynamics and Their Impact on Mental Well-being.

The program blended academic learning with practical insights through expert-led sessions and masterclasses by professionals from psychology, psychiatry, and NIMHANS



## Navigating the Future of Work

Trends, Challenges and Opportunities



**109**  
Companies

**155**  
Delegates

## HR Conclave

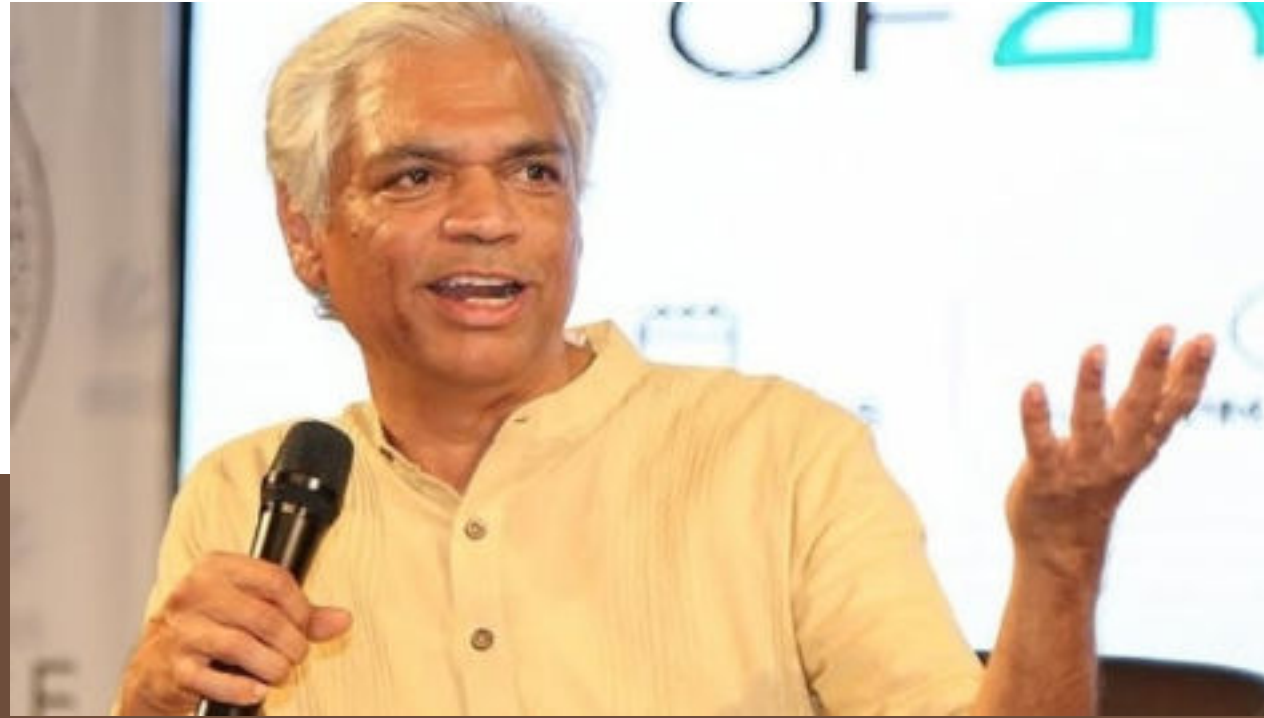
### Human Resources and the Psychology of Work



The HR Conclave at Chanakya University, organised in collaboration with the NHRD Bangalore Chapter, brought together over 150 HR professionals, industry leaders, and academic experts to deliberate on the evolving workplace shaped by AI, automation, and future work trends. Speakers included Mohandas Pai, Sushant Tharappan, Sreenivasa R.

Kanduri, Sivaramakrishnan, Nalini George, K. R. Sekar, and Pradeep R.

The conclave examined human resources through the lens of psychology, focusing on motivation, behaviour, wellbeing, and leadership.



## Psychology and theatre: Exploring the Inner World through Performance

**Sri Prakash Belawadi**

Actor, theatre practitioner, and public intellectual

This session explored the intersection of psychology and drama as tools for understanding human behaviour and emotion. Drawing from theatrical practice, it examined how performance enables self-reflection into individual and collective psychological processes.

## Shaping the Future of Education and Youth

**Sri Mohandas Pai**

Chairman, Manipal Global Education Services; Chairman, Aarin Capital; former Chief Financial Officer and Board Member, Infosys

This address examined the role of education in national development and youth empowerment. Drawing from industry and philanthropy, it highlighted the technology-enabled learning in preparing students for leadership in a rapidly evolving economy.





## ASHA for Autism Spectrum Disorder

*Neurodiversity and Sensitization Program*  
Ms. Priya Vijayan

The Neurodiversity and Autism Sensitization Program opened with Ms. Priya Vijayan, Head – Education Service and Management, Academy for Severe Handicaps and Autism (ASHA), delivering this insightful session.

Drawing on over three decades of experience, she explained autism spectrum disorder (ASD) as a neurodevelopmental condition involving difficulties in repetitive behaviours, while also highlighting the abilities and strengths of individuals on the spectrum.

## Yoga and the Neuroscience of Stress Adaptation

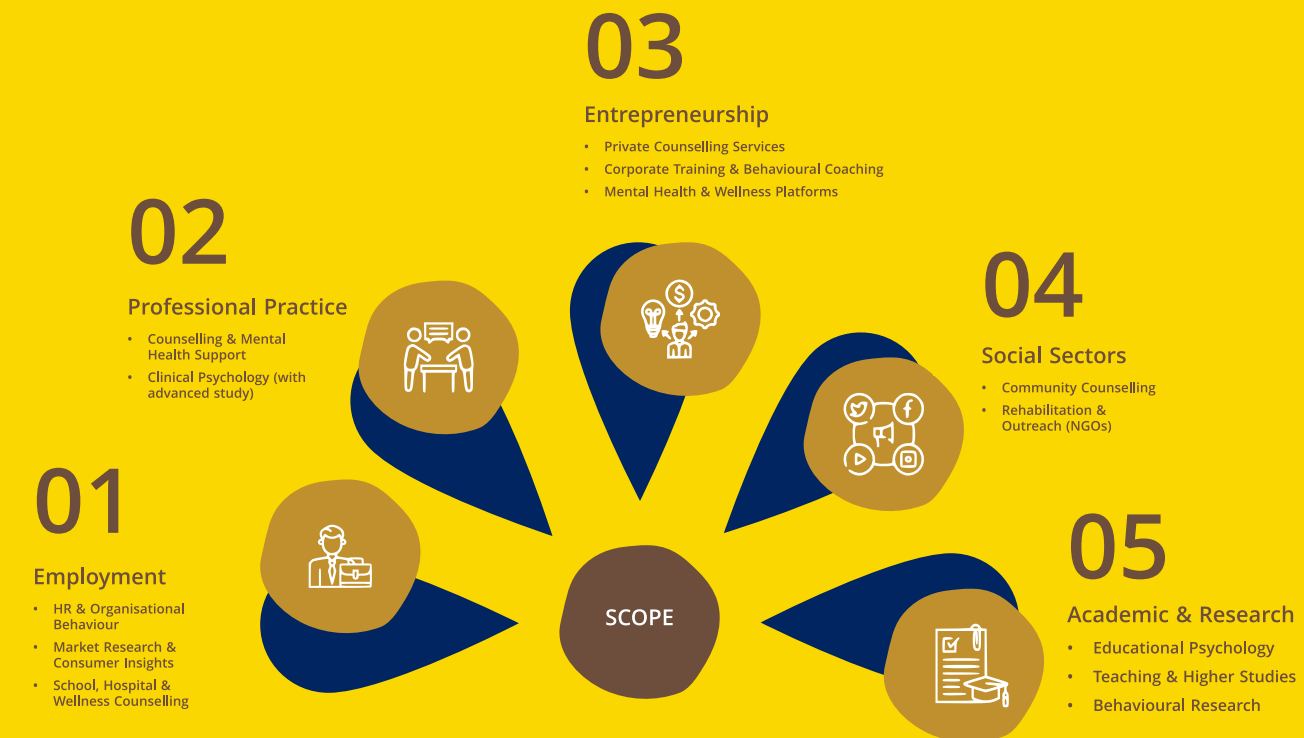
Sri Eddie Stern



The University hosted renowned yoga teacher and author Sri Eddie Stern for a lecture titled “Resilience Redefined: Yoga and the Neuroscience of Stress Adaptation.” The session opened with a rendering of the Dakshinamurthy Stotram by Sri Anirudh Sharma followed by welcoming remarks from Dr. Vinayachandra Banavathy.

In his talk, Stern brought together neuroscience and Indic wisdom with remarkable clarity. He spoke about the natural intelligence present in every cell of the body, its instinct to adapt, repair, and eventually return to its original function. This, he suggested, mirrors the idea of svadharma from the Bhagavad Gita: that resilience comes not from becoming something else, but from responding to challenges while staying rooted in one’s true nature. He also revisited the classical idea of abhiniveśa, describing it not merely as fear but as the underlying human instinct for survival.

## Specific Career Opportunities for Professional Excellence



# Chanakya Fellowship in Social Sciences

## 1 Year Post-Graduate Diploma

The Chanakya Fellowship in Social Sciences is a one-year immersive, interdisciplinary program designed for graduates and professionals who wish to understand India and the world through a deeper, holistic lens.

It brings together the best of policy, economics, history, philosophy, psychology, literature, and leadership studies: encouraging dialogue across disciplines and perspectives.

Through seminars, masterclasses, field immersions, and interactions with scholars, policymakers, and industry leaders, fellows learn to connect thought with action and ideas with impact.



### **Dr. V. Anantha Nageswaran**

Chief Economic Advisor, Government of India  
Chair, Advisory Council, Chanakya Fellowship in  
Social Sciences (CFSS) , Chanakya University

Under the guidance of Dr. Anantha Nageswaran, CFSS stands as one of the prestigious fellowship program of the country with exceptional students contributing to each cohort.

As a competitive fellowship program, CFSS attempts to bring the best minds of the country in the field of Liberal Arts to be mentored by the doyens of industry, academia, public life and social service.

IMPACT



**Sri V K Saraswat**

Member, NITI Aayog, Government of India; Former Director General, DRDO

## Education and Leadership for Viksit Bharat 2047

During the convocation ceremony, Dr. Saraswat called on graduates to drive Viksit Bharat 2047 through people-centred leadership. He highlighted Chanakya University's transdisciplinary approach, the integration of indigenous knowledge with modern science, and the critical role of youth for inclusive development in nation-building.



**Prof. Harsh Pant**

Professor of International Relations, King's College London

## A Decade of Indian Foreign Policy: Evolving Aspirations

This distinguished lecture examined India's foreign policy trajectory over the past decade. It analysed shifts in global power structures, India's strategic repositioning, and the domestic and international factors shaping its evolving diplomatic, security, and geopolitical aspirations.



## India: Heritage, Opportunities and Transformation

### Sri Kris Gopalakrishnan

Co-founder, Infosys; Founder, Axilor Ventures;  
Member, Board of Governors, Chanakya University

This address reflected on India's civilisational strengths and contemporary opportunities. It examined the role of innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainable development in national transformation, urging students to think ambitiously and contribute to India's growth through technology, enterprise, and responsible leadership.



## Entrepreneurship, Culture and Public Policy

### Sri Sridhar Vembu

Founder and CEO, Zoho Corporation

This interaction explored the intersection of entrepreneurship, culture, and public policy. Drawing from lived experience, it examined how local ecosystems, value-driven leadership, and decentralised models of innovation can shape sustainable enterprises and inform policy choices rooted in social responsibility and long-term impact.

01



**Employment**

- Communication & Media Professionals
- CSR & ESG Specialists

02



**Professional Practice**

- Counselling & Mental Health Support
- Clinical Psychology (with advanced study)
- Corporate strategy aligned with social purpose)

03



**Entrepreneurship**

- Public Policy & Governance Professionals
- Policy advisory, governance & administration)

**Potential Careers**

04



**Social Sectors**

- Development Sector Leaders
- NGOs - Social Enterprises
- Sustainability Initiatives

05



**Academic & Research**

- Research Analysts
- Academics & Policy Researchers (Teaching, publications & advanced research)

# Vision 2030: Space Policy for India

## Roundtable on Space Technology and Applications

The University hosted Space Consortium 2025 as a policy-focused roundtable on India's evolving space ecosystem. Chaired by Dr. S. Somanath, Chancellor, and co-chaired by Dr. P. G. Diwakar, the discussions examined India's Space Vision 2030, industry-academia integration, workforce policy, regulatory execution, and investment frameworks. Dr. Somanath spoke about India's fast-evolving space sector, highlighting the push towards reusable launch systems, indigenous avionics, and a stronger role for private players. He stressed the need for universities to actively support workforce development and manufacturing innovation. A key takeaway was the need for structured industry-academia integration.



# Sanskrit Studies

## 2 Years M. A.

Rooted in India's classical intellectual traditions, the programme invites students to engage deeply with Sanskrit as a living knowledge system rather than merely an ancient language. It enables a rigorous study of texts, ideas, and methods that have shaped philosophy, science, aesthetics, linguistics, and governance for centuries.

The programme is open to students from all academic disciplines. Prior training in Sanskrit is not a barrier; the curriculum is structured to support learners from diverse educational backgrounds while gradually building linguistic and interpretive competence.



### Specific Career Opportunities for Professional Excellence

## 01

### Academic and Research

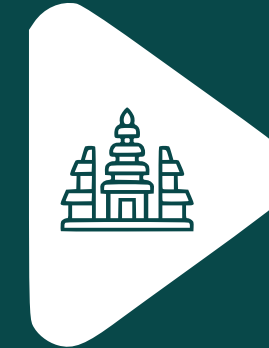
- Higher studies (M.Phil./Ph.D.), university teaching, textual criticism, translation projects, and advanced scholarly research in classical texts and traditions.



## 02

### Cultural and Heritage Institutions

- Professional roles in museums, archives, manuscript libraries, cultural organisations, and heritage bodies focused on preservation, interpretation, and public engagement.



## 03

### Professional Practice

- Translation and editorial work, curriculum and syllabus development, academic publishing, content creation, and advisory roles in education and knowledge-based institutions.



## 04

### Interdisciplinary Applications

- Engagement with philosophy, psychology, ethics, law, public policy, and Indian Knowledge Systems, contributing classical perspectives to contemporary academic and institutional contexts.



## 05

### Public and Cultural Communication

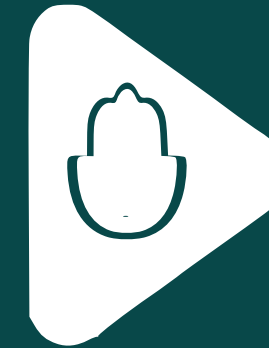
- Writing, lecturing, public scholarship, and dissemination of knowledge through media platforms, cultural forums, and educational outreach initiatives.



## 06

### Civilisational and Policy Engagement

- Opportunities in institutions working on Indic studies, cultural policy, education reform, and the integration of traditional knowledge systems into modern frameworks.



## ROOTS

# International Conference on Temple Management



Gaurang Das Prabhu Ji (Director, ISKCON Govardhan Ecovillage);  
K. V. Raju (Economic Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh)

This international conference examined temples as economic, and cultural institutions. It brought together scholars, administrators, and practitioners to explore historical governance models, contemporary management challenges, and future-oriented frameworks for transparent and community-centred temple administration in India.



Padma Bhushan Awardee Shatavadhani and Dr. Ramakrishna Pejathaya  
(Director, Centre for Indian Knowledge Systems, Chanakya University)

## Avadhanam

**Classical Intellectual Performance and Cognitive Mastery**

This lecture-demonstration introduced Avadhanam as a classical art of intellectual endurance and memory.

Through live performance and explanation, it highlighted India's sophisticated cognitive traditions, integrating poetry, logic, linguistic agility, and cultural expression within a rigorous framework of mental discipline.



## Scholarly Dialogue on the Identity of the Rigvedic Aryans

**Dr. Koenraad Elst**  
Indologist, historian, and author

A 'Scholarly dialogue on Rigvedic geography, chronology, and ethnic identity' organised by Dr. Saurav Sarmah and moderated by Sri Nisshanth Kumar, the session featured Dr. Koenraad Elst, Oriental Philologist and Historian, Sri Shrikant Talageri (online), Author and Sanskrit Scholar, and Sri Jijith Nadumuri Ravi, Researcher, Author and ISRO Scientist. The discussion explored debates within the Out of India Theory, focusing on the Sarayu River identification, migration patterns, and Rigvedic chronology, highlighting both scholarly disagreements and shared support for indigenous origins of Indian civilisation.

# Sankarayanam

Sri Arjun Bharadwaj

Author and Visiting Professor, Chanakya University

The University hosted a detailed book discussion on Sankarayanam – The Journey of Sankara on the occasion of Indian Philosophers' Day and Shankara Jayanti. The session featured Arjun Bharadwaj, author and Visiting Professor at the University, who examined Adi Shankara's intellectual journey, his role in revitalising Advaita Vedanta, and the wider landscape of Bhāratīya darśanas. Drawing comparisons with Western philosophical traditions, he highlighted the plurality and civilisational depth of Indian thought.



## Kaavya Vācana– Vyākhyāna

On 18th September 2025, Chanakya Kannada Balaga was inaugurated by Chanakya Kannada Balaga and Samskr̥ti Club. The event began with a prayer by students, followed by the lamp lighting and emblem unveiling by chief guest, Shatavadhani Dr. R. Ganesh, Prof. Yashavantha Dongre (Vice-Chancellor), and Vidushi Samudyata.

The highlight of the program was the Gamaka Recitation and Interpretation of Kanakalankānveṣhaṇā from Kuvempu's Shri Ramayana Darshanam. Vidushi Samudyata's soulful rendition in varied ragas captivated the audience, while Dr. Ganesh's layered interpretations enriched the poetic experience. His introduction of ragas, extempore poem in praise of the singer, and eloquent reflections created a near-celestial atmosphere.



## Conference on Bharatiya Management: Indian Thought and Modern Organisations

The Conference on Bharatiya Management at Chanakya University opened with the inaugural address by Prof. V. G. Narayanan of Harvard Business School, who articulated how Bharatiya ethical frameworks, long-term thinking, and dharmic principles can meaningfully shape contemporary management, governance, and institutional leadership.



## The Rich History of Indian Culture

Prof. B. Mahadevan

Professor (Retd.) Indian Institute of Management Bangalore

This lecture traced the evolution of Indian culture from ancient civilizations to the present, highlighting its diversity, unity, and contemporary relevance. It explored how Indian thought integrates spirituality, science, arts, and ethics, and emphasised the need to engage with cultural traditions in modern life.

# Media Studies

## 2 Years M. A.

Rooted in critical inquiry and creative practice, the programme trains students to understand how media shapes public opinion in contemporary society. It engages with journalism, digital media, cinema, advertising, and emerging platforms to examine how stories are produced, circulated, and contested.

Students study core areas such as media theory, communication studies, journalism practices, digital media and culture, film and visual studies, political communication, media ethics, and research methods. Emphasis is placed on critical reading and writing, analysis to enable responsible media practice.

Practice-based learning is central to the programme. Students work on media projects, writing labs, visual storytelling, and field-based assignments, gaining exposure to newsrooms, production environments, digital platforms, and cultural institutions.

## Diplomacy and International Reporting

Sri Ewout de Wit

Consul General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands



Jointly organised by the Global Engagement Office and the School of Arts, this conversation featured understanding of diplomacy across a wide spectrum of contemporary international issues like Indo-European, the functioning and relevance of NATO, Europe's geopolitical shifts, and the implications of the Ukraine crisis and the perspectives students of Journalism and Policy should keep in mind while working on such developments.

## News Sense and Story Selection

Ms. Maya Sharma

Senior Journalist



The Media Club of University hosted an engaging and insightful interaction with Ms. Maya Sharma, one of India's eminent television journalists, on 30th October. As a member of the first generation of professionally trained TV journalists in the country, Ms. Sharma began her career with Doordarshan and later spent over two decades with NDTV as a reporter and anchor. Her rich experience across diverse beats has made her a respected voice in Indian broadcast journalism. The session drew students from various disciplines, a turnout that delighted Ms. Sharma, who warmly acknowledged their enthusiasm. Her talk, titled "My TV Journey: Surviving and Thriving in a High-Pressure Industry," offered a candid look into the realities of newsroom life, its unpredictability, and the personal grit required to sustain a long career.

# Celebrating 90 years of Akashvani

Dr. A. S. Shankarnarayana

Senior Official, Prasar Bharati



Akashvani has been India's voice for a very long time representing an era of news reporting where facts mattered anything more. With senior official of Prasar Bharati, the University hosted deliberations to prepare the future students in fields associated with Journalism and Strategic Communications.

## Specific Career Opportunities for Professional Excellence

Career Pathways that await you

01

### Employment

- Journalism
- Digital Media Platforms
- News Organisations
- Content Development
- Publishing Houses
- Media Production Companies

02

### Professional Practice

- Media Research
- Communication Strategy
- Public Relations
- Political Communication
- Advocacy Roles (Public & Private Institutions)

03

### Creative Industries

- Media Research
- Communication Strategy
- Public Relations
- Political Communication
- Advocacy Roles (Public & Private Institutions)

04

### Corporate & Institutional Roles

- Corporate Communications
- Brand Strategy
- Internal Communication
- Media Relations
- Reputation Management

05

### Entrepreneurship & Independent Media

- Digital Media Ventures
- Podcasts
- Independent Publications
- Multimedia Platforms

06

### Academic & Research Pathways

- Media Research
- Cultural Studies
- Higher Studies (M.Phil./Ph.D.)
- Teaching & Research Roles in Universities Think Tanks & Policy Institutions



## Social Work 2 Years M.S.W

Rooted in the values of social justice through service, the programme trains students to engage with complex social realities such as poverty, mental health, disability and public health. It combines theory with sustained field engagement, ensuring that learning is grounded in lived experience.

Students are introduced to core areas of social work, including social work methods, human behaviour and social environment, community organisation, social policy, research methods, counselling skills, and ethics.

Fieldwork is a central pillar of the programme. Students work closely with NGOs, schools, and hospitals, learning directly in real-world settings.

Specific Career Opportunities  
for Professional Excellence

01  
Employment

- Roles in NGOs
- Development Organisations
- Foundations
- Hospitals
- Rehabilitation Centres
- Community-Based Institutions working in Health, Education, Gender, Disability, Child Welfare, and Livelihoods

- Social Work Practice in Counselling
- Case Management
- Community Development
- Programme Coordination

02  
Professional  
Practice

03  
Corporate &  
Institutional Roles

- CSR & ESG Programmes
- Employee Wellbeing Initiatives
- Social Impact Assessment
- Sustainability Reporting (Corporate & Non-Profit Organisations)

- Social Enterprises
- Community Initiatives
- Development-Focused Start-ups Addressing Grassroots Challenges

04  
Entrepreneurship  
& Social Innovation

05  
Academic &  
Research Pathways

- Social Research
- Programme Monitoring & Evaluation
- Higher Studies (M.Phil./Ph.D.)
- Teaching & Research Roles in Universities, Think Tanks & Policy Institutions

- Positions in Government Departments
- Social Welfare Boards
- Urban & Rural Development Agencies
- Policy Implementation Units

06  
Governance &  
Public Systems

DEVELOPMENT



## A Civil Society Dialogue on Urban Poverty Mitigation

At Chanakya, engagement with society is a core academic responsibility. This belief shaped the recent NGO Round Table on Urban Poverty and Slum Intervention, where grassroots practitioners, CSR leaders, and faculty came together to plan the collective efforts.

The dialogue was anchored by Shri Venkatesh Murthy of Youth for Seva, with substantive inputs from Smt. Savitha Sulugodu (CEO, SVYM), Dr. Sathish Kattimani (Allstate CSR), and Mr. Sudarshan (Prakarsha Academy). Their sessions focused on practice and how programmes should be designed.

Twelve NGOs working across education, women's empowerment, child protection, disability inclusion, sanitation, rehabilitation, and media advocacy shared field experiences from Bengaluru's urban poor communities.



## Launch of the Centre for Social Impact

The University formally launched the Centre for Social Impact, reaffirming its commitment to socially engaged education. Pro-Chancellor M. P. Kumar delivered the Presidential Address, invoking Swami Vivekananda's call that the educated are responsible for educating others, and highlighted the Centre's role in embedding social responsibility within academic life. Prof. Rajasekhar D, former Director of ISEC, identified urban poverty and volunteerism as key focus areas, while Dr. M. A. Balasubramanya, Chairman of NAVGRAM and Advisor to SVYM, emphasised inclusive, interdisciplinary participation. The event was attended by advisory members, university leadership, and partner organisations including Youth for Seva.

To carry forward  
what holds  
society together

Service  
Empathy  
Values  
Action



## Children at the Centre of Social Transformation

### Sri Kailash Satyarthi

Nobel Peace Laureate, Founder, Bachpan Bachao Andolan  
Global Advocate for Child Rights

Speaking at the University's Convocation, Sri Satyarthi argued that societies transform sustainably only when children's rights and freedom from exploitation are made central to policy. He called upon graduates to integrate child-centric thinking into governance, positioning child protection and quality education as strategic imperatives for nation-building. He emphasized intergenerational justice and collective accountability, urging graduates to act as guardians of childhood in public life.



## Education and Health as Pillars of Nation-Building

### Dr. Sitaram Jindal

Chairman, Jindal Aluminium Limited; Founder,  
Jindal Naturecure Institute

Dr. Sitaram Jindal reflects on education and healthcare as the most impactful forms of social service, emphasising access, affordability, and ethical responsibility. Drawing from decades of philanthropic engagement, he underscores how sustained investment in human well-being builds resilient communities and strengthens the foundations of a self-reliant and compassionate nation.



## Leadership from the Grassroots: Social Work, Institutions and Lasting Impact

### Dr. R. Balasubramaniam (Balu)

Development Expert; Founder, Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM)  
and Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM)

At Chanakya University, Dr. R. Balasubramaniam spoke on leadership rooted in grassroots social work and long-term engagement with communities. Drawing from decades of work with tribal populations and NGOs, he highlighted how credible institutions, ethical leadership, and evidence-based policy can translate social commitment into sustainable development and systemic change.

## Why MSW: A Career of Aspiration and Responsibility

### Prof. M. K. Sridhar

Padma Awardee; Founding Chancellor, Chanakya University; Eminent  
Institution Builder and Education Leader

Prof. M. K. Sridhar outlined why Social Work should be viewed as a career of aspiration rather than charity. He emphasised the MSW as a rigorous professional pathway that combines values and competence preparing graduates to work meaningfully with communities, policy, and organisations to create sustained social impact.



# Experience Trans-Disciplinarity

With seven Centres of Excellence and two endowed Chairs, the University invites scholars to engage in transdisciplinary research that integrates policy, technology, culture, and ethics, generating knowledge solutions for complex national challenges across disciplines.



# Global mindset, local roots

At Chanakya University, we believe in fostering meaningful conversation across continents. Our Global Engagement office fosters partnerships that connect students and faculty to global networks.



## Our International Partners



Understanding societies requires attention to their pasts, which consist of both values and contradictions. Humanities provide the tools to interpret these complexities with care. Renewal follows from thoughtful re-engagement.

**Are you ready for this experience?**

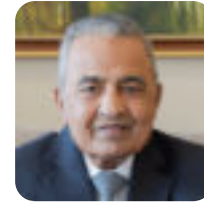
# International Advisory Council

Comprising distinguished academicians, public intellectuals, industry leaders, and artists, the International Advisory Council anchors interdisciplinary learning in Indian contexts and global perspectives.

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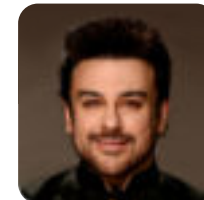
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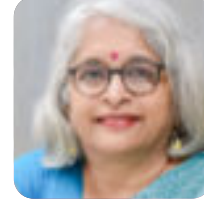
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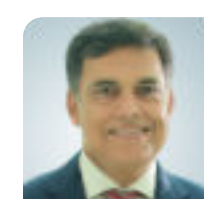
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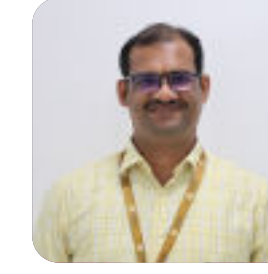
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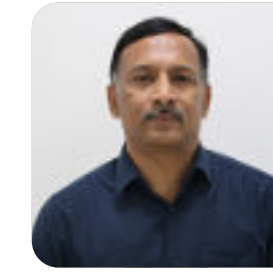
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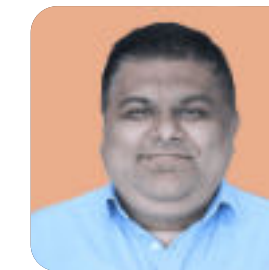
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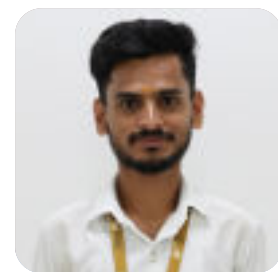
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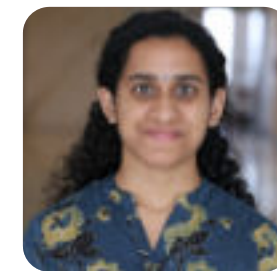
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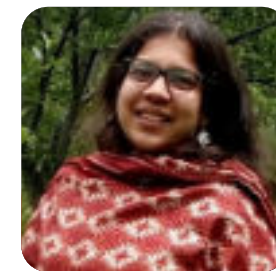
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# Industry Partners

The School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences at Chanakya University cultivates strong relationships with organisations across industry, consulting, finance, technology, logistics, and emerging enterprises. Internship partnerships are designed to provide early exposure to professional environments, enabling students to apply classroom learning to real organisational contexts. These engagements help students develop practical insight, workplace discipline, and a deeper understanding of managerial roles and expectations.

Placement partnerships build on this foundation through sustained interaction with employers who value analytical capability, ethical judgment, and adaptability. The University works closely with its partners to align academic preparation with evolving industry needs. This collaborative approach supports meaningful career pathways, while ensuring organisations engage with graduates prepared for responsibility, complexity, and long-term contribution. Some of our many recruiters include:



# Personalise your learning journey through **Interdisciplinarity**

## 1 Chanakya Foundation Course

The Chanakya Foundation Course includes structured baskets such as Language and Communication, India Orientation, Essential Skills, and Learning Beyond Classroom. These elements foster communication fluency, contextual understanding, analytical ability, and readiness for experiential learning.

## 2 Your Programme Major

Your major gives you disciplinary mastery. Whether it is in management sciences, law and governance, engineering, arts and humanities, or sciences, students' progress through core and elective courses that anchor academic and professional competence.

## 3 Your Opted Minor

Chanakya offers interdisciplinary Minor options including Cybersecurity, Digital Humanities and Data Skills, Visual Communication, Samskruta (Sanskrit), Pharmaceutical Chemistry, and more. These minors enable combinations such as business with data analytics or management with policy and governance insights.

## 4 Industry-Embedded Learning

Learning extends beyond classrooms through internships, field visits, industry talks, hackathons, case-study competitions, conferences, and academic consortiums. These experiences connect theory with practice, strengthen professional exposure, and develop problem-solving, collaboration, and leadership skills.

*The exact credit distribution, availability of minors, and eligibility conditions vary by programme and are subject to University regulations and academic approvals.*



# Innovative Pedagogy

Out of every 100 hours a student invests in their learning journey at the School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, the distribution of effort and exposure is envisioned as:

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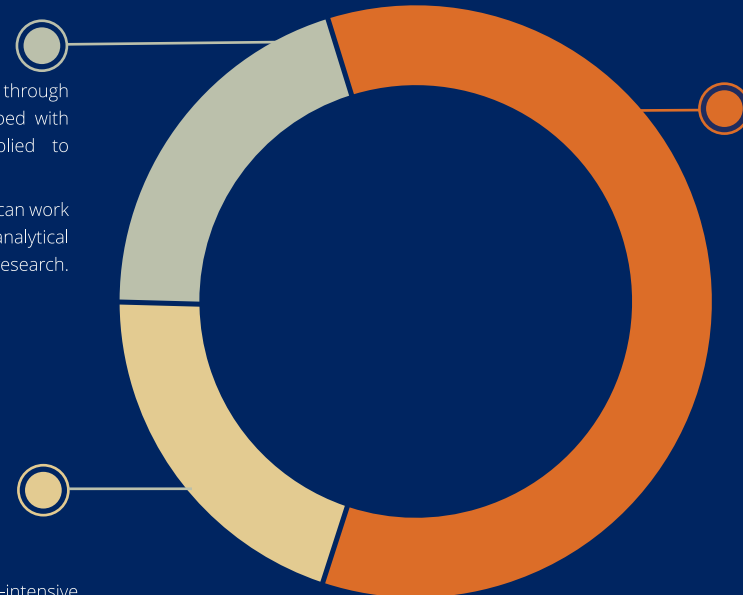
### Getting Ahead of the Curve – Quantitative and Digital Tools

- Students specialise in selected domains through digital humanities tools and are equipped with quantitative research techniques applied to humanities questions.
- Why: The future belongs to thinkers who can work with data. Digital fluency strengthens analytical rigour and evidence-based reasoning in research.

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### Chanakya Unique Offerings – Qualitative Methods

- Students engage in fieldwork and writing-intensive inquiry, supported through 7 Centres of Excellence and 2 endowed chairs, alongside interdisciplinary research.
- Why: Qualitative depth cultivates ethical sensitivity and the ability to interpret human experience beyond numbers.



## 60

### Mastering Core Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Foundations

- Students first build a wide conceptual base across disciplines such as history, philosophy, economics, political science, and allied social sciences.
- Why: A strong horizontal foundation ensures students are equipped to critically engage with complex social realities shaping the contemporary world.

## Inter-disciplinary Foundations

The pedagogy at Chanakya is to make students lifelong learners. Therefore, the Foundation Program, irrespective of the disciplinary background, imparts some of the fundamental life skills for holistic development. This includes courses like:

- Essentials of Entrepreneurship
- Effective Communication
- Financial Literacy
- Hidden Science in Daily Life
- Essential Mathematics and Statistics
- Kannada Utsava (Advanced) – level 2
- Hindi Sahitya (Basic)
- Samskruta Pravesha
- Kali Kannada
- Dance, Movement and Choreography
- Music, Communication and Management
- Digital Fluency
- Exploring creativity through Carnatic music
- Act, React, Interact – Understanding Theatre arts
- Yakshagana
- Being On stage
- The Art of Perspective
- 10K Running – Science, Training, and Performance
- Values, Ethics and Morals: Revisiting Mahābhārata
- Indian Stories: Universal Values
- Life Lessons from Bhagavad Gita
- Kannada Pravesha (Basic) – level 1
- Foundations of healthy communication and relational skills
- Interface of Law, Policy and Practice
- Global Citizenship
- Documentary Film Making
- Life at Molecular level
- Impact of Art and culture on Economy, Society and Polity
- Climate Change Through Data: Understanding, Visualizing, and Acting
- Macroeconomic concepts and trends & processes in India
- Comprehending India Through Ramayana
- Yogadarshana: beyond Asana

## Unique Minors

Chanakya University is envisaged as a trans-disciplinary university. Students choose their minor component of the program offered by other Schools. This enables them to curate unique pathways for their professional pursuits. Here is a tentative list based on the offerings of the previous Academic Years:

- Digital Humanities
- Cybersecurity
- Advertising and Management
- Entrepreneurship and Management
- Development Studies
- Visual Communication
- Samskruta
- Philosophy
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Physics
- Enterprise Management
- Creative Arts
- Sustainability



## Learning beyond Classrooms

At Chanakya University, Learning is imagined to extend beyond the contours of the campus. Students experience immersion across different cultures, art forms and traditional practices that exist as parallel traditions of learning since centuries. Whether pottery or some painting class; dance or theatre, learning continues across semesters. This sets you in a practice that considers true learning a life-long experience.

## Studio Course on Architecture and Iconography

As part of the Studio Course “Introduction to Temple – Art, Architecture, and Iconography”, students visited the Bhoga Nandishwara Temple, led by scholar Arjun Bharadwaj, who explained the structure, and cultural role of the temple. Located at the foothills of Nandi Hills near Chikkaballapur, the Bhoga Nandishwara Temple is among the oldest temples in Karnataka, with origins dating back to the 9th century and Vijayanagara rulers.



## Cultural Immersions

On 6th September 2025, select students, in collaboration with Yuvaka Sangha, organized a one-day Heritage and Spiritual Trip as part of the Art, Culture and Heritage course. The initiative brought together nearly 100 participants, including students, faculty, and members of Yuvaka Sangha, offering a unique blend of learning and experience.

The journey began at the Shivalaya in Arasikere and continued to the magnificent Hoysaleswara Temple at Halebidu, where students explored the architectural brilliance of the Hoysalas. A traditional lunch at Pushpagiri Matha provided an opportunity to witness community practices and spiritual hospitality. The afternoon visit to the Chennakesava Temple, Belur, deepened understanding of temple iconography and sculpture, while the day concluded with darshan and dinner at the Yadiyuru Siddalingeshwara Temple.



## Sabha: The Democracy Lab

Chanakya University, in collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation India, hosted the Sabha – Parliamentary Board Game Competition on 21 November 2025, offering school students an engaging, hands-on introduction to democratic decision-making and legislative practice.

The event brought together 74 students and accompanying faculty members from 15 leading schools across Bengaluru, creating a vibrant academic atmosphere on campus. The programme commenced with registrations and an inaugural welcome, followed by a screening quiz comprising 25 questions on Civics, Polity, Governance, and General Knowledge. Conducted and evaluated by the CSEP team, the quiz ensured a fair selection process and prepared participants for the intellectual rigour of the main competition.



# And, therefore

At Chanakya University, we believe that education must continue the learning traditions of our timeless civilisation.

Our approach blends the Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) with contemporary disciplines so that theories align with lived experience, and global ideas find their grounding in the rhythm of Modern India.

Here, rootedness it is the confidence to shape and reinterpret the knowledge from an Indic View. The idea is not to imitate the world, but to understand our place within it: to rethink economics through ethics, psychology through compassion, and governance through dharma.

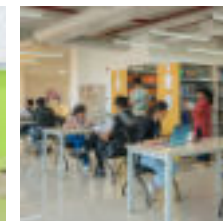
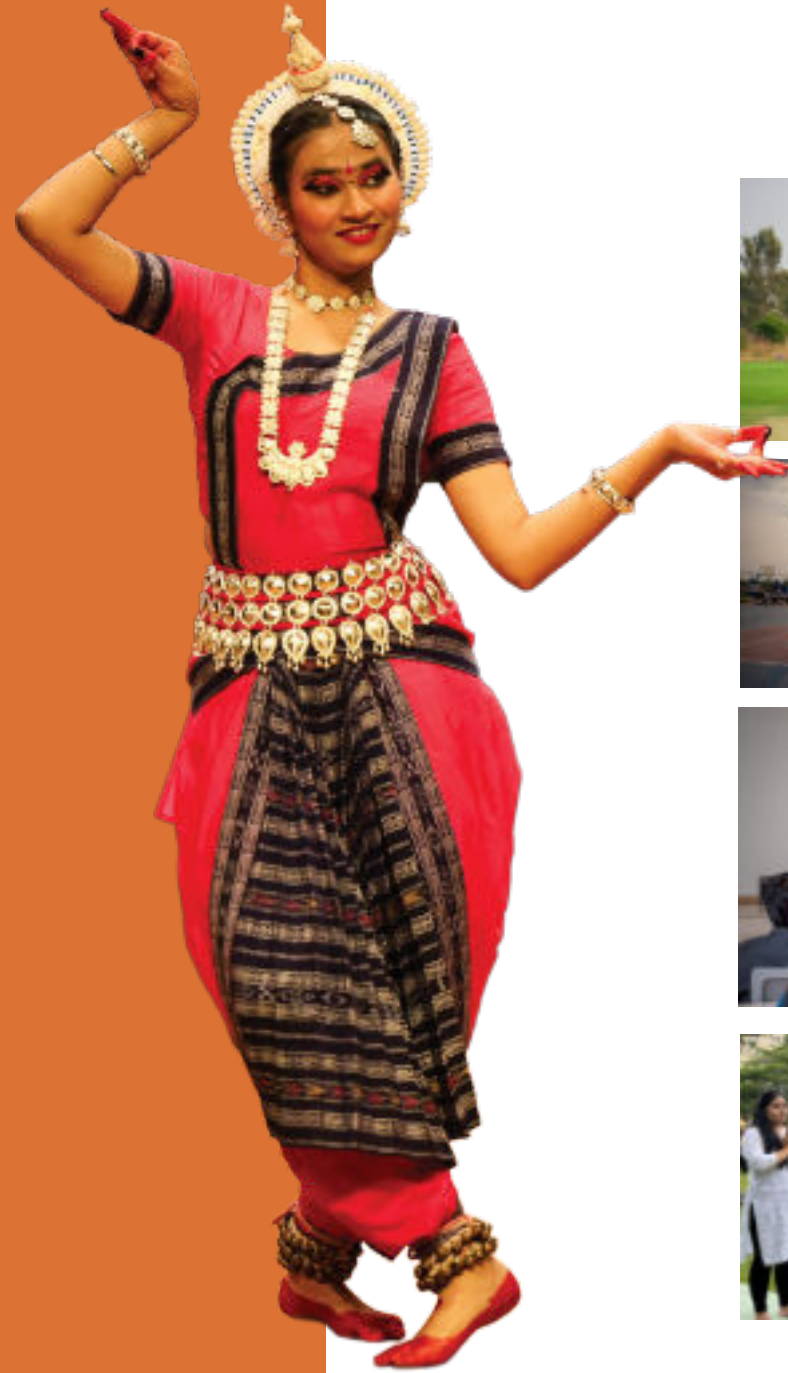
As the world races forward, Chanakya University reminds its learners to walk with both wisdom and direction, to build futures that are modern in method, yet timeless in meaning.

Because the purpose of education is not only to prepare you for the world as it is, but to help you reshape it:

thoughtfully and courageously.



## Building a Sustainable Future



Campus  
Life

# Infrastructure that makes Learning a Joyful Experience

Thoughtfully designed academic spaces, residential facilities, and campus amenities that support wellbeing and an engaging learning experience



Student Residences



Basketball Court



Table Tennis Court



Library



Auditorium



Food Court



Gymnasium



Classroom

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