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Chitkara University, established in 2002, owes its genesis to the academic legacy of its founders and that is what sets it apart from any other private university in the north of India. Students, and their success, remains central to all initiatives at Chitkara University.

Sannam S4 got an opportunity to interview Ms. Sangeet Jaura, the Pro Vice Chancellor of International Affairs, Chitkara University, to understand the innovative approaches of the International Office at the University – to engage with the changing student demands.

Chitkara University

The University is sensitive to the changing needs of the skill sets that India and the world requires from the work force of tomorrow. Applied pedagogies with industry partners to build academic curriculum, keep students in sync with the demand of evolving skill sets of the professional working world. Apart from a robust industry exposure, the spirit of entrepreneurship is inculcated through one of North India's leading incubator cells that Chitkara University is deeply invested in, where students are encouraged and mentored by industry leaders to bring their vision to reality

Internationalisation at Chitkara University

With an ever-shrinking world and a young Indian population, global institutions are extremely interested in engaging with Indian students. Chitkara University works closely with education institutions in almost all continents of the world which brings in, a two-way student and faculty mobility, broadening horizons and preparing Indian students to work in any professional ecosystem.

According to Ms. Jaura, the University has forged formidable alliances that include, but not limited to academic articulations, student and faculty exchanges, Erasmus capacity building projects and joint research projects. The students are given an opportunity to pursue international diplomas and degrees when they start at Chitkara University and end up completing their education with an international partner.

Another unique feature of the Office of International at Chitkara University is the Annual Global Week initiative. Under this initiative, various socio-cultural immersion programmes are organised and visiting professors from various international universities, deliver credit-based modules to the vast number of students (who cannot afford to travel abroad). Students gain competence towards becoming global learners as they witness varied pedagogical styles in teaching and learning from the visiting professors. The 10th Global Week conducted in 2018 was the biggest thus far with, 70 professors from 53 universities and 20 countries participating in the event.

Chitkara University is also embarking upon some exciting and innovative models of international partnerships that will help Indian students to stay closer to international academic curriculum and have an increased exposure to international academic learnings. This is meant to become a true reflection of a transnational educational delivery.

About Ms. Sangeet Jaura

With almost three decades of experience in the education sector, Ms. Sangeet Jaura is currently, the Pro Vice Chancellor, International Affairs at Chitkara University.

She offers leadership in shaping and carrying out the University's ambitious international agenda by broadening its international profile.

Ms. Jaura manages the University's international collaborative initiatives. She is also responsible for the development of strategic partnership for the University on an international platform. A critical element in the fabric of Chitkara, she is greatly regarded for her interpersonal skills, leadership qualities, and her professionalism.

About Chitkara University

Chitkara University was founded around the vision, and the academic accomplishments of Dr. (Mr.) Ashok Chitkara and Dr. (Mrs.) Madhu Chitkara. Their commitment towards quality education and student success has become the cornerstone of Chitkara University's growth philosophy.

All efforts and resources at Chitkara University, are invested to ensure that each student gets the requisite mentorship and skill sets to explore their potential and add value to themselves, their careers, and to the community at large.