



PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY MAHE CAMPUS

**Two-day Workshop
on**

**Vocationalisation of
Higher Education :
A way forward**

**11 & 12 of
February 2016.**

PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

Pondicherry University is a Central University established by an Act of Parliament in 1985. The main Campus is located at Kalapet, Puducherry. The University has established campuses at Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Karaikkal and Mahe. Pondicherry University is spread across 800 acres sprawling Wi-Fi-Enabled vibrant Campus. Pondicherry University Campus is a microcosm of Indian nation drawing students from every nook and corner of the country and every group and strata of the society. The Pondicherry University Community College established in 1995 is the first of its kind in the University system of higher education of India to cater to employment oriented education. The University is a member of the Association of Commonwealth Universities and has signed Memorandum of Understanding with several Foreign Universities / Institutes. A recent survey reported by the UGC (University Grants Commission) and the NAAC (National Accreditation and Assessment Council) ranked this University as one of the best in the country.

ABOUT PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY, MAHE CAMPUS.

Following the success of skill oriented higher education at Pondicherry, the University introduced two Bachelor in Vocational Courses namely Radiographic & Imaging Technology and Tourism & Service Industry at its Mahe Campus with the financial assistance of UGC under Community College Scheme. The curriculum of B.Voc course which is a suitable mix of skill development component and general education would enable a graduate completing the course make a meaningful participation in accelerating India's economy by giving appropriate employment and becoming entrepreneurs. Two more courses namely B.Voc in Journalism & Mass Communication and Fashion Technology will be offered from the next academic year under the B.Voc Scheme of UGC. A facilitation centre of Directorate of Distance Education, Pondicherry University is also functioning at Mahe Campus.

As a partner institution of MHRD and UGC in imparting skill oriented higher education, Pondicherry University is proposing to organize in its Mahe Campus, a two-day workshop on 11 & 12 February 2016 on skill oriented higher education.

Themes and Objectives of the Workshop.

Skills are a key driver of market success. High level skill empower individuals to be active and productive member of the society besides being a pre-requisite for employment and higher wages. Skills need to keep up with rapid technological progress and gaps between skills provided by education and current needs have to be filled up.

The workshop intends to provide a forum to share their views on a skill oriented education which is the recent initiative of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India. The main objectives of the workshop are the following:-

1. To identify the strengths and weaknesses of the vocationalisation of Higher Education in the area of Health Care and Tourism Sectors.
2. To discuss the strategies to overcome the weakness of skill oriented courses in the area of Health care and Tourism.
3. To examine the need for skill up-gradation in the wake of Technological progress in Health and Tourism sectors.
4. To invite suggestions on moulding of curriculum content in accordance with the current needs of Health care and Tourism areas.
5. To explore the possibility of introducing new skill oriented courses in accordance with the needs of the locality.

Pondicherry University, Mahe Campus invites participants from Health Care and Tourism Sectors, Colleges and Universities running UGC's Community College Schemes and B.Voc. Schemes to share their views on the vocationalisation of Higher Education.

PAPER SUBMISSION

Participants willing to present papers are requested to follow the schedule and guidelines given below.

1. Abstract (not exceeding 250 words) should be sent through email.
2. Abstract should include name of the author, contact no., address (both Postal and email)
3. Complete Paper (not exceeding 15 pages) should be sent through email.

Email id: principal.mcc@pondiuni.edu.in .

REGISTRATION

Participating institutions are requested to nominate two participants.

Registration fee Rs. 1000/- per participant.

Registration fee covers Conference Kit, Lunch, Tea & Snacks during the Workshop.

The fee may be send by means of D.D. in favour of The Finance Officer, Pondicherry University, payable at Mahe, and the same be sent to the Centre Head, Pondicherry University, Mahe Campus, Cemetery Road, Mahe – 673 310.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Abstract submission	- 20 January 2016.
Full Paper submission	- 25 January 2016.
Last Date for Registration	- 29 January 2016.

For further information , Contact : 0490 2332622.

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