## **Department of English and Foreign Languages**

## **Vision of the Department:**

To stimulate and develop the imagination and critical thinking of the students through teaching and research and to develop the department as a centre for academic excellence and high-quality research.

## **Objectives:**

- To develop in the students a sensibility for the English language and literature.
- To help students remove the hurdles in the way of learning English
- To incorporate in the teaching-learning process a wide perspective by including works of world literature in the syllabi, promoting research in new areas and on inter-disciplinary topics.
- To make the Department and the classroom a hub for academic activity and for opening up the latent potential of the students so as to develop their personality too.
- To explore and reach out to academicians, institutions and bodies for research and academic activities.
- To promote learning of foreign languages

Department of English and Foreign Languages has been endeavouring to provide the students a firm grounding in English studies in a very congenial atmosphere. A growing number of undergraduate students opt for English as their honours or elective subject every year. Students aspiring to obtain a post graduate degree in Literature in English get introduced to all the important aspects of literatures written in English. The teaching activity of the Department extends to other departments with the teaching of English and Communication skills to students of other departments as well. Teaching of English for Remedial English classes, and for competitive examinations is also undertaken by the Department.

We have a team of dedicated and competent teachers who are quite accessible to students. The academic excellence of the faculty members reflects in the continuous publications and participation in national and international conferences and workshops. The students have also been presenting papers at seminars and conferences and have been appreciated. The number of our students clearing UGC NET has been increasing every year. Our recent activities include a workshop in English and communication skills and a course in reading and appreciating literature under an MHRD scheme wherein a foreign faculty from Thailand was invited as a resource person and another under the same scheme on comics and graphic novels where the expert was from USA. The department has also organized workshops on learning English and on communication skills. The Department seeks to have further involvement in collaborations for teaching and research. We also have a well-equipped Language Lab where students can hone their skills in spoken English.

Our placement record is excellent, with most of our former students teaching in prestigious schools, colleges, and universities. In addition, many of our former students hold good positions in administration, media, animation and other diverse fields. Our scholars have also been abroad for presenting papers at conferences. Students of the department have also made their mark in extracurricular activities.

The department also runs diploma courses in French and German languages as add-on courses.