ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES (2018-2019)

IDOLE INDIENNE

The Indian Association of Teachers of French (IATF) partnered with the department in organizing an all India singing contest for students of French. The district level competition was held on 21 July 2018. Various school and college students participated in the same.



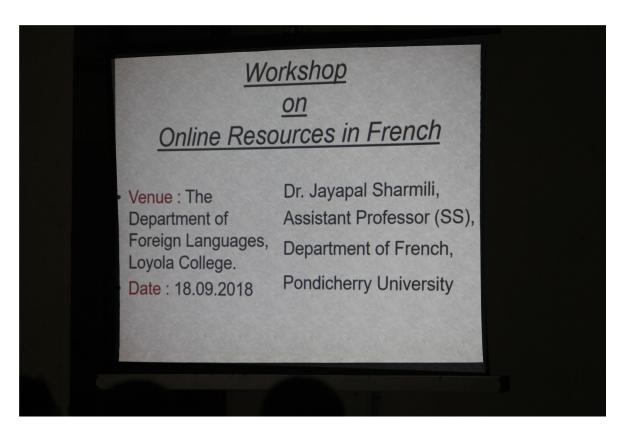
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WORKSHOP ON ONLINE RESOURCES IN FRENCH

The Department organized a one-day workshop for its students on 28 September 2018. Dr. Sharmili Jayapal, Assistant Professor of French from Pondicherry University was the resource person. Students were taught how to use websites and apps in order to facilitate their language learning.



Dr. Sharmili Jayapal, Assistant Professor, Department of French, Pondicherry University



PLAY – KANNAGI DEMANDS JUSTICE

The students of the theatre club of the Department staged a scene from the renowned play "Silapathikaaram". The original play was translated into French. Audience for the play included Mr. Emmanuel Samson, Attaché de cooperation pour le français, Ms. Sarah Behrali, Director, Alliance française of Madras, Ms. Annie Bonhomme, Film Maker and Ms. Sharmili Jayapal from Pondicherry University. The play was staged in Bertram Hall on 28 September 2018.





Kannagi demande Justice, a play in French translated and played by the B.A.French students

WORKSHOP – GAMES TO IMPROVE SPOKEN FRENCH

On 29th November 2018, a workshop was organized to help the students work on their speaking skills in French. The workshop was conducted by Ms. Bilkhis Sait, former Professor of French at Stella Maris College for Women.



The Department of Foreign Languages conducted guest lectures on "la Poesie Francaise" by Prof. Sherrin Pradeep , "Le theatre francais" by Prof. Monica and "ICT tools in a French class" by Prof. Isaac Francis and Prof. Mithiya John

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STAFF

PAPERS PRESENTED/ SEMINARS/ FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS ATTENDED BY THE STAFF

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper at an International Conference on Foreign Languages on "OPTIMAL USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN FRANCAIS LANGUE ETRANGERE CLASS (FLE)" at VIT, Vellore on March 1st 2019.

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper at an International Conference on "CHANGE IN THE FRENCH CURRICULUM IN TAMIL NADU SCHOOLS- NEED OF THE HOUR at VIT, Chennai Campus on $5^{\rm th}$ February 2019.

Dr. Abarna Roy gave a guest lecture on "Les activites ludiques" at St.Joseph's College, Trichy on 11th February 2019.

Dr. Abarna Roy gave a guest lecture on "Understanding French-English Faux Amis" on 19th December 2018 at Avinashilingam School of Engineering, Coimbatore

Dr. Durga Devi presented a paper on "Emerging Trends in French Language Teaching: Methods, Approaches, and strategies" at the International Conference at VIT, Chennai Campus on 5^{th} February 2019

Prof. Maria Priya presented a paper on "Approach , Methods, Strategies and Syllabus Design Involved in Foreign Language Acquisition" at the International Conference at VIT, Chennai Campus on $5^{\rm th}$ February 2019.

Dr.Abarna Roy, Dr.Durga Devi, Prof. Sherrin Pradeep, Prof. Mithiya John, Prof. Isaac Francis attended a 5 day Faculty Development Program conducted by the French Embassy in India and CLA (Centre Linguistique Appliquee) of Besancon France in Goa University from May 20th to May 24th 2019.

Prof. Isaac Francis attended a 15 day Faculty Development program in IRCOM France from 23rd April to 7th May 2019.



FUTURE DIRECTIONS

The Department aims at establishing more MoUs with French universities so that more students get the opportunity to study in France. Tech- based language learning will be encouraged in the coming years. Steps are taken to create and strengthen an alumni network in the department.