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Alumni Talk Series

**NAVIGATING ADMISSIONS TO
FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES**



Mr. Sumedhas Dixit

Research Fellow , Fabric Advisory &
Student - London School of Business

29th
JULY'24

11:30-12:30
AM PM

VENUE: CEL 2

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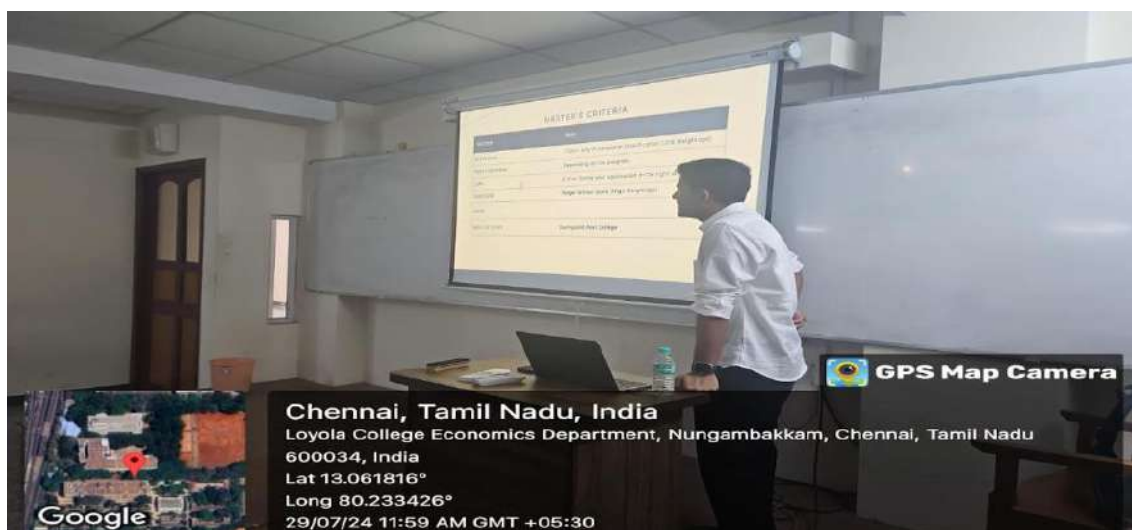
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REPORT ON ALUMNI TALK

‘Navigating the Path to Top Graduate Programs: Insights and Strategies’

The Department of B.Com Honours at Loyola College organized an insightful session as part of its ongoing Alumni Talk Series to foster connections between alumni and current students. This series serves as a platform for alumni to share their success stories and inspire the next generation of students. On August 2, 2024, we had the privilege of hosting Mr. Sumedhas Dixit, a distinguished alumnus who recently secured admission to the prestigious London School of Economics (LSE).

Mr. Sumedhas shared his valuable experiences and insights, specifically focusing on the process of applying to top MBA and Master's programs across the globe. His presentation covered essential aspects of the application process. It provided students with a clear understanding of the steps required to build a competitive profile for admission to world-renowned institutions.



Key takeaways from the session included:

1. **Academic Performance and Standardized Tests:** Mr. Sumedhas emphasized the importance of maintaining a solid academic record while highlighting that a balanced approach is crucial. He explained that a high CGPA, while beneficial, can be complemented by strong performance in standardized tests such as the GRE or GMAT, thereby enhancing the applicant's chances.
2. **Extracurricular Involvement:** In addition to academic performance, Mr. Sumedhas stressed the significance of extracurricular activities in shaping a well-rounded profile. Leadership roles, community service, and participation in activities beyond the classroom are vital indicators of holistic development, which top universities often look for in candidates.
3. **Application Process:** He detailed the application process, breaking it down into actionable steps. These included:

- Researching potential universities and categorizing them into Dream, Reach, and Safe options.
 - Crafting compelling and personalized essays that reflect an applicant's unique experiences and aspirations.
 - Preparing a well-structured CV that highlights quantifiable achievements and professional growth.
4. **Letters of Recommendation:** Mr. Sumedhas provided insights on securing strong letters of recommendation, emphasizing that recommenders should be individuals who have worked closely with the applicant and can speak to their strengths, character, and accomplishments.

The session concluded with an interactive Q&A, where students eagerly sought further clarification on various aspects of the application process. One of the key questions raised pertained to the importance of academic grades in securing admission to prestigious institutions. Mr. Sumedhas acknowledged that while grades are an essential factor, they are not the sole determinant of success. He reiterated that high GRE/GMAT scores and active extracurricular involvement could bolster an applicant's profile significantly.

Overall, the session with Mr. Sumedhas Dixit was highly informative and gave students a comprehensive understanding of the global application process. The Alumni Talk Series continues to serve as a vital initiative to connect students with successful alumni, inspiring and guiding them toward their future goals.

