

Communication Skills

A workshop was arranged for Travel and Tourism Students on 17th October 2017 at LIFE Hall, Loyola College. Dr.Kaleeswaran worked as communication consultant for various organizations like Milenda Gates Foundation. Currently he is teaching various subjects at Loyola College for English, Social Work and Visual Communication students.

He started with a story and divided the students based on the numbers mentioned in the story. Then he had given one line to each group and requested them to create a story. During the end of this exercise, he had highlighted the importance of right vocabularies to communicate effectively. He did various activities to stress the importance of the same in the first session.

He started with an activity of mono acting and assigned various roles to each student to enact the same. The students were asked to reflect their experience about the activity and he stressed the role of body language in communication. Then he sang and made them to dance to remove the stage fear and shyness.

He drew pictures with numbers one to ten as the basic strokes and requested the students to use these basic strokes and draw the picture on their imagination. Many students had drawn various pictures and he explained the importance of imagination and creativity in communication through this activity.

He also gave some theoretical inputs of communication approach and the different types of communication through a few other activities. Before the feedback session, he and students sang a song together. During the feedback session, class representative Mr.Sanjeev had mentioned that he never had such a lively session during his school and college life. Ms. Rakshana has requested the department to conduct a few more sessions like this to remove the stage fear of the students.