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## *From the Desk of the Director*



“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter”. The words of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. resonate with our academic temperament even today. In the past six months, what mattered to us went way beyond the spectrum of mere academic activities. Discourses at Loyola College, that emerged through seminars, conferences, workshops, webinars, screening, and art exhibition concreted through a plethora of events that recognised and encouraged citizens by presenting the Hero of Chennai, lifetime achievement, and scholarship awards.

In addition, echoing many pertinent issues that concern us: higher education, campus and waste management; machine and online learning; social media, eco-literacy, computing and artificial intelligence were put forth in the Loyola Academic Newsletter (LAN). Events like the Independence Day, Ovations, medical camp, International Peace Day, Faculty Development Programme and Gaja relief, and International days such as migrants, transgender, poetry; and livelihood of widows, refugees along with the launch of rural manifesto by Dr Varun Gandhi MP have moved our minds and hearts towards our personal commitment to academic excellence and social justice.

With such overwhelming opportunities, let our reading accentuate and instil that every Loyolite is capable of being more, is endowed with the gift of being MAGIS. Let your light shine!

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# Awards & Accolades

## First of its kind: Anukreethy Vas adjudged Femina Miss India World - 2018

Anukreethy Vas, a student of BA French Literature, has been adjudged as **FBB Colours Femina Miss India World - 2018**. This has happened for the first time in the History of Loyola College. It's all because of the variety of courses and programmes like French Literature, Media Studies, Ovations and lot of other cultural events that have been introduced. It is also an indication of the progress that Loyola College has made over the years in empowering women students by providing equal platform for women students. With time, the college has also adapted to the good changes that benefit both the students as well as the institute. She was also the winner of the **Oppo Fresh Face** title from our college and was team leader in multicultural shows.



## Loyola Award 2017 organized at Loyola College on June 29, 2018

Loyola Award 2017 was bestowed on **Mr. Raja P. Arumugham**, an alumnus, who stood for peace harmony among warring nations and defended the human rights. Announcing the award and reading the citation, Rev. Fr. A. M. Jayapathy Francis S.J., Rector, Loyola College, highlighted that the award is given in recognition of the fortitude that Mr. Raja maintained at his mission of keeping peace and harmony at the time of crisis and conflicts in warring nations. In his award acceptance speech, Mr. Raja P. Arumugham recalled how the office assistant, Mr. Paulraj almost literally pushed him inside principal's room to get admission when he lost all his hope to get admission. It was there he learnt what is to be humane and effort taking. He attributed his success in career to his three years at Loyola. He described his stay at Loyola as his best moment where he began to learn the fundamentals of life. Of the entire curriculum, it is ethics that he learnt in the college shaped his character and career. Above all, his encounter with Mother Teresa who visited Loyola College twice and spoke for peace and love for humanity paved the way in his career especially to choose peace keeping as his mission in UN.



## Loyola was awarded The Hero of Chennai 2018 in the category of Education

Chennai is a city of infectious enthusiasm with people filled with pride for their hometown. The mix of cosmopolitan glamour and deep rooted tradition is what makes Chennai a special city in India. **Heroes of Chennai** is an initiative by **Dream Craft Events** to celebrate this wonderful city by honoring and recognizing people and organizations that have inspired and created a powerful impact in their field of work and have defined what we all believe is the Spirit of Chennai. The Hero of Chennai 2018 in the category of Education was awarded to Loyola College on 26-11-2018. The main criteria which distinguished our College was on the principle that our College admission policy of providing quality education for the down trodden/ economically backward students.



## Congratulations to Dr. Udaya Mahadevan, former Head & Professor of Social Work

Dr. Uthaya Mahadevan, Professor Emeritus of Social Work Loyola College has been awarded the **Life Time Achievement Award** in Social Work for her outstanding contribution, dedicated and invaluable services in the field of 'Social Work Education, Research and Practice', by her Alma Mater, Stella Maris College, Chennai on Sept 29, 2018.

## Scholarship Award Programme

Scholarship Award Programme for the Visually Challenged Students was organized by **Resource Centre for the Differently Abled (RCDA)** in collaboration with **Help the Blind Foundation** on September 10, 2018



# Congratulations!

## Seminar on Waste Management

A National level Seminar on **Waste Management Practices in Educational Institutions - case study of Loyola college** was organized on August 03, 2018 at LIFE Hall, Loyola College by **Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE)** in collaboration with **Environmental Information System (ENVIS) Centre**, University of Madras, Chennai. Rev. Dr F Andrew, SJ, the Principal of Loyola College said that getting wealth of out waste and managing the waste in educational institutions is essential in the formation of student communities. The experts in the field of waste management systems namely Dr S. Vincent, Dean of Research and Rev. Dr S. Maria Packiam, SJ, Deputy Director of LIFE & ERI delivered the various innovative methods adopted for **Loyola Waste Management System**. The national wide participants found that Loyola campus as the best green and clean campus which is continuously monitored and maintained the green system.



## The International Conference on Computing Sciences (ICCS 2018-2019)

The inaugural ceremony of **International Conference on Computing Sciences (ICCS 2018-2019)** is organized on October 17, 2018 (Wednesday) in LS Hall, Loyola College, Chennai - 34. **Thiru K.P. Anbalagan**, Minister of Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu is the Chief Guest and inaugurates ICCS 2018-19.

On the occasion, balloons are flown as a mark of the inaugural ceremony of the conference. It is a symbol of high thinking interdisciplinary approach in research. In addition, **INSPIRE**, a periodical brought out by the college compiling the research related activities and reports is released.



The programme is organized under the auspice of Rev. Dr. Albert William, S.J., Director, LIMCOS. Rev. Fr. A. M. Jayapathy Francis, S.J., Rector, Loyola College, Rev. Dr. F. Andrew, S.J. Principal, Loyola College, Rev. Dr D. Selvanayakam, S.J., Secretary, Loyola College, Dr. Fatima Vasanth, Deputy Principal, Loyola College and other committee members of the conference are present for the programme.

## Transgender - 25

**Transgender-25**, a Conference on Education and job opportunities, was organized on 15.11.2018 in LS Hall by **Loyola FM 107.4** and **Department of Visual Communication** in collaboration with **Sahodaran, ITI and Thozhi** teams. The students of Loyola FM Radio club were present in large number.

The main objectives of the conference were:

- To thank the government for creating inclusive policies and smooth enabling environment that other states want to emulate,
- To offer a space for **UNESCO-SAHODARAN** members to present about their findings on "Experience of school faced bullying faced by transgenders in Tamil Nadu"
- To conduct short film contest for students Transgender.



Dr. Sunil Menon (Founder-Director of Sahodaran), Chief Guest- Most Rev. Dr. George Antony Samy DD (Arch Bishop of Madras Mylapore), Rev. Fr. F. Andrew (Principal, Loyola College) Mr. Asir Pandiyan (YMCA General Secretary), Prof. Chinnappan (HOD of Visual Communication, Loyola College), Sundhari (Senior Transgender), Mr. Raveendran (University of Madras), Mr.Dhanraj, Ms.Poonam Ms. Jothi, Ms.Geetha (Transgenders) were there as dignitaries. The programme is organized under the auspice of Rev. Fr. Justin Prabhu SJ, Director, Loyola FM 107.4



## Poetry Workshop by Prof. Watson Solomon

A workshop on **"Eco Poetry"** and **"Eco Criticism"** was conducted on December 06, 2018. Prof. IAJ Jeyadoss delivered the introductory address. The workshop was conducted for the first year M.A students. The session was very interactive where the students were introduced to the various concepts of the art of poetry. A brief session was held at first to introduce the students to the various genres of poetry followed by introduction to the concept of Eco poetry, its origin and its significance. Prof Watson helped the students understand the various poetic devices and then apply them in eco poetry.



## Deminar on CollPoll - Campus Management, Engagement and Analytics Platform

The Web Enhancement and Public Relations Office (WEPRO) organized a **deminar (demonstration seminar) on CollPoll: Campus Management, Engagement and Analytics Platform** for reimagining student's digital experience in educational institution on December 13, 2018.



## Forum for Academic Excellence “When Learning is a Joy, Excellence becomes a Habit”

For the first time in the history of English Department, Loyola College, a Forum for Academic Excellence (FAX) was formed with the intention of facilitating a culture of healthy discussion and debate among colleagues and students on topics and books of academic and contemporary interest. The forum was initiated by Dr Clamma Jose and Dr.K.S. Antonyamy.

### Inauguration of Forum for Academic Excellence

The inaugural event of Forum for Academic Excellence (FAX) was organized on August 10, 2018 (Friday) in LIFE Hall. Dr Bernard D' Samy, Coordinator, LISSTAR gave an Introduction to Palestinian Crisis and this was followed by a Book Reading by Dr Felicita on the same subject. An animated discussion followed. During the next session, Prof. Supriya made a presentation on Rap Song as Teaching and Learning Tool. The sessions were informal and enriching.

### A Series of Invited Lectures

Dr William Robert Da Silva, a well-known sociologist and a Visiting Senior Professor for Liberal Arts with Communication and Design as frames of reference at the DJ Academy of Design, Coimbatore delivered a series of invited lectures from September 07 to 29, 2018 on the following topics: Eco Literacy, Literary Theory – Post, Areas for Research, English & Comparative Literature. The month ended with a one day seminar on the Life and Works of the Nobel Laureate, V. S.Naipaul.



## Input session on MOOC for our Faculty Members

The Academic Deans Office organized an input session on MOOC for our Faculty Members, on the 27th of November 2018, in LIFE Auditorium, Loyola College. Dr. P. Malliga, Associate Professor and Head, Centre for Educational Media & Technology, National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research (NITTTR), MHRD, Government of India, Taramani, Chennai, is the resource person, speaks on “MOOC Framework and SWAYAM MOOC”.

## One-day State Level Seminar on “Is Social Media a Boon or Bane for Life?”

Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (Life) is an epicenter of interdisciplinary and collaborative research in Loyola College, Chennai which extends its academic service to research concerning Energy, Environment, Ethics, Material Science and Awareness Education to Students and the Masses. LIFE, Loyola College has organized the One-day State Level Seminar on “Is Social Media a as Boon or Bane for Life?” on November 24, 2018. The seminar enlightened 40 Participants from different parts of Tamil Nadu working as the Communication Commission Members of Women Religious Congregation (Franciscan Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Coimbatore). This seminar was convened and more effectively organized by Fr Dr S. Maria Packiam, S.J., the Deputy Director, LIFE, Loyola College, Chennai.



## Two-day National Conference on Excellence in Higher Education: Explore, Enhance, Elevate organized at Loyola College - November 23-24, 2018

Loyola College, Chennai organizes a two-day National Conference on “Excellence in Higher Education” Explore.. Enhance.. Elevate.. to be held on November 23 & 24, 2018 at Loyola College. With an illustrious 40 years of experience in Autonomy, Loyola College hosts this national conference to provide a platform to all stakeholders of higher education to relook into the Indian higher education system, understand the important trends in global context, address to the prominent challenges and visualize new aspirations and new standards to ensure quality and excellence.

Rev. Dr Danis Ponniah, S.J., Provincial, Madurai Jesuit Province inaugurated the conference. Rev.Dr.Danis Ponniah, S.J., Provincial, Madurai Jesuit Province for presiding over this inaugural with his special address on the “Vision of Jesuit Higher Education” stressing on value oriented education, promotion of justice, interdisciplinary education, internationalization and formation of educational community.



## Book launch on A Rural Manifesto and a Public Lecture

Book launch on A Rural Manifesto and a Public Lecture by Shri. Feroze Varun Gandhi, Member of Parliament was organized by LISSTAR on December 13, 2018. In this heartfelt and timely book, covering facets of the rural economy, Feroze Varun Gandhi shines a bright light on the travails of the marginal farmer and asks searching questions on why the rural economy remains in doldrums, six decades after independence.



# Workshops

## Two-Day Hands-on Research Workshop on Machine Learning Using R and LaTeX

LIMCOS organized a "Two-Day Hands-on Research Workshop on Machine Learning Using R and LaTeX" at Loyola College on June 08-09, 2018. Dr. P.S. Rana, M. Tech., Ph. D., Punjab University led 30 participants from all over Tamil Nadu to a hands on experience and enabled the participants to be adept on machine learning. Rev. Dr Albert William, Director, LIMCOS and Prof. Jerald Inigo were the organizers of the programme.



## Employable Skill Development program in Cyber Security

A One Day Hands-On Workshop on Penetration Testing and Employable Skill Development program in Cyber Security was organized by the Department of Computer Science & Applications on October 1, 2018. Dr. A. Francis Saviour Devaraj M.Sc, M.E, Ph.D., Freelance Cyber security Trainer, Bengalooru led the participants to a hands on experience and enabled the participants to be adept on Cyber Security.



## One Day Workshop on Re-searching Ecoliteracy

One Day Workshop on Re-searching Ecoliteracy: Multidisciplinary Approaches, Methods, Strategies and Frameworks and the launch of LEAF (Loyola Eco-Affirmation Forum) was organized by LISSTAR on October 4, 2018



## Workshop on "Artificial Intelligence"

The Management, Staff and Students of department of Computer Science and Applications organized Entrepreneurial Skill Development Program in Arduino: Workshop on Artificial Intelligence by Thiru. J. Saravanan CEO, Foursteps Training Solutions Pvt. Ltd. on December 12, 2018 in L.S. Hall



# Loyola Counselling Centre

Loyola Counseling Center (LCC), formerly Aura Centre for Counseling started in 2014 with the motto "Shine From Within." Since then the center has been steadily working and extending towards healthy emotional and mental wellbeing of the students and staff, by remedial, rehabilitative and preventive methods of intervention.

Activities: Input session, discussion, campaign, competition, and rally.

Methodology: Individual counselling and group therapy in collaboration with different departments, clubs, officials as per request/need including but not limited to boys hostel, girls hostel, RCDA, Deans of Students, FLOWS, IQAC, Training & Placement, SHE, Outreach, Sociology, MSW, Viscom, BBA, Kaushal Kendra, LIAC, JMAADD.

Beneficiaries: Students, staff, parents

Topics focussed:

- Handling Emotions
- Sexuality
- Study Tips
- Process Addictions
- Happiness Quotient
- Handling Relationships
- Anxiety, Depression, Phobia, OCD

Programs:

A. Students

1. Orientation to all first years
2. Class visits to all first year and second year UGs
3. Counseling classes for MSW students
4. Mentoring
5. AURA club: Training students for Self-Potential and Peer Guidance

B. Staff

1. Enrichment programs for Non teaching staff
2. Awareness programs for Teaching staff
3. Outsourcing – Loyola FM, Outreach, B.Ed college

C. Parents

1. Awareness programs
2. Special groups

Commemorations:

1. International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking
2. World Mental Health Day
3. International Peace Day
4. Suicide Prevention Day
5. International Day of Happiness

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## Convention of Federation of the Livelihood Rights of Widows - Tamil Nadu

A convention of "Federation of the livelihood rights of widows - Tamil Nadu" was organised by Loyola College in association with Federation of the Livelihood Rights of Widows - Tamil Nadu on June 02, 2018 (Saturday). It is an awareness campaign on demands of rights and dignity for widows. Rev. Fr. A. Kulainthaisamy, Director, Kalaingarai, Nagai along with the department of School of Learning, Loyola College was instrumental in giving voice to the demands by enacting the plight of the widows. The powerful performance encouraged some women to take to the stage to put flowers in their head and wear kumkum.

Ms. Bala Bharathi, Chief Guest, encouraged the event saying, "It sets a platform for demanding a separate directorate for the widows under the Social Welfare Department and passing a bill to simplify the process of obtaining a widow certificate". Around 1200 widows from about 17 districts also took an oath to stay strong and united and vowed to get them educated without any discrimination based on religion, caste and social status.



## Longing to belong: Refugees in India: An Exhibition of Photographs



In view of World Refugee Day commemorated on June 20th, LSSS and Department of Sociology, Loyola College organized Street Play, an Awareness Rally. An Exhibition of Photographs by Eminent Photographer, Raghu Rai on the theme "Longing to belong: Refugees in India" from June 20 to 23, 2018 to raise awareness of global responsibility for refugees and stateless persons was organized by LISSTAR.

## Loyola Alumni Day

Loyola Alumni Association (LAA) hosted Loyola Alumni Day on August 05, 2018, World Friendship Day mainly to bring back all Loyolites under one roof and create a space for them to cherish their past and visualize a bright future for the Alma Mater. Apart from the usual get-to-gather, Department level interaction and Loyola Award to the illustrious alumni, the event this year was made different by the participation of the legendary artists who belong to 'Down Sterling' days. In the discussion at Department level, the staff and the alumni explored the avenues of continuing learning to the alumni and placement and training support the present generation of students. Hence, the alumni meet assumed greater significance in the context of 'global learning and networking'. As a consciousness raising effort, LAA continued its prestigious 'Illustrious Alumni Award' this year too. The programme is organized under the auspice of Rev. Dr. A. Thomas, S.J. Director, Loyola Alumni Association.



## 72nd Independence Day Celebrations & Inaugural Function of 86th Bertram Memorial Tournaments

Loyola celebrated 72nd Independence Day Celebrations on August 15, 2018. On the occasion, the 86th Bertram Memorial Tournaments were also inaugurated. Dr. Claramma Jose, Dept of English hoisted the national flag and Prof. Bhagwan Das, Dept. of Economics delivered the Independence Day message. Mr. S.Satish Kumar, an Alumnus of Loyola and Executive vice president, Asianet Satellite Communications inaugurated the 86th Bertram Memorial Tournaments.



## Ovations 2018

Ovations, an annual mega cultural extravaganza, is organized on September 16 & 17, 2016 by students' union. At least 23 teams of various departments would compete to win the overall championship award for the academic year 2016 -17. Many celebrities of media have been invited to grace the occasion and motivate the participants. The specialty of this year celebration is commemoration of 25 th year

Ovations. As a mark of respect to the great dramatist, William Shakespeare, we add the commemoration of 400 th Death Anniversary of Shakespeare. Events such as "Enacting Shakespeare's Scenes" will be added advantage to the cultural extravaganza. We also revive Loyola Theatre Society (LTS) on this occasion. 8000 students, 600 staff members and many notable sponsors will ensure that it will be the most eventful cultural programme in a city college, Loyola. The entire programme is organized under the auspice of Prof. Alex Parimalam, Dean of Students.



## Mass of the Holy Spirit

Mass of the Holy Spirit was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Maria Amalraj, Vicar General of Madras Arch Diocese along with Jesuit fathers on July 28, 2018. The student and staff community of all the institutions of Loyola Campus congregated to pray and partake in the Eucharistic celebration. The main celebrant illustrated the fear of god as beginning of wisdom and realizing this truth would lead all of us to acquiring discipline, study, love, obedience and all necessary values of life.



## Medical Camp

A medical Camp was organized by Medical Lab Technology in association with Loyola Health Centre and Noble Hospitals on October 12, 2018. BMI, Blood Pressure, Sugar Fasting, Sugar Post Prandial, Cholesterol, Hemoglobin, Urine Routine, and Blood Grouping were tests made available for the staff and students of Loyola College. It was a commendable effort of the department of Zoology to create health awareness in the campus.

## International peace day

Complying with UNO 's declaration of the international peace day on 21st September on 17.9.2018 Fr. Leolin Arockiadass SJ convened a mega gathering of prominent persons of various faiths to address the gathering on the significance of 'Peace' in their religious tradition. Religious leaders from all religions graced the occasion.



## Faculty Development Programme

Faculty Development Programme on "Frontiers in Biological Sciences" was organized for Biotechnology, Chemistry, Food Chemistry and Food Processing and MLT Faculty members of Shift II on November 19 and 20, 2018. This event is also periodically conducted to promote the research and academic temper amidst the students in such a way that our students are prepared to take up novel research projects in biological sciences.



## Loyola College reaches out to victims of cyclone GAJA



All of us are shocked by the unprecedented damage caused by the GAJA cyclone and are moved to alleviate the suffering of our brethren in Tamilnadu. The devastation and destruction in the state of Tamil Nadu are immeasurable due to recent cyclone. At this moment of grief, distress and damage, Loyola College reached out to the affected people. The staff, students and the likeminded people made their contribution in cash, cheque and relief materials. All these materials have been handed over to the most disadvantaged people by the Loyola team.

## Loyola College Nonteaching staff reaches out to victims of cyclone GAJA



A team of the administrative staff of Loyola College, Chennai led by Mr. Xavier Selvaraj, the association president, Mr. Sagayaraj, the association secretary and Mr. Peter Francis, the association treasurer reached out to a remote village namely Muthanpallam near Karambakudi in Pudukottai district on 11.12.18. The relief materials such as rice, dress, towels, bedsheets, Provisions and an amount of Rs. 50,000 were given to thirty families.

## International Migrants Day

The Jesuit Migrants Service in collaboration with the department of Sociology and the Department of OUTREACH Loyola College commemorated World Migrants day on 19.12.2018 in Loyola college campus. The programmes were arranged to make the students aware of the presence of the migrant workers and their participation in the form of labour towards the development of the city and other productive units of the state. During the programme the issues and problems faced by the migrants globally were discussed to ensure the protection of their rights and safety of their families.

The students of sociology have taken out a rally and awareness campaign with plug card, charts and street play insisting on the theme, "protect, promote and integrate" the migrants. They have invited the student body to join in protecting the rights of the migrants and ensuring the safety and well-being of the migrants and their families. The students have also brought out the plight of the migrants in a skit form evoking the proactive response of the student community to the cause of the migrants. The exhibition containing the facts and data of the international migrant scenario would serve as the appetizer to carry on rigorous academic study and constructive discussion on the topic of migration.

Dr. Bernard D'sami, the coordinator of LISSTAR addressed the students on international migration and its dynamics in the world today. Mr. Arockiaraj, the regional manager of CARITAS, India spoke on internal migrant workers in India and the need for attending to their well-being.

Jesuit Migrant Service (Fr. Sebastin, S.J. and Fr. John Felix, S.J.) in collaboration with The Dept. of Sociology (professors and the students) and the Dept. of service learning have organized this awareness campaign at 11am. IT is to show our respect and solidarity with our migrant brethren, one of the vulnerable sections of the society.



## JUNE

**June 02, 2018:** A convention of "Federation of the livelihood rights of widows - Tamil Nadu" was organized by Department of Service Learning in association with Federation of the Livelihood Rights of Widows, Tamil Nadu

**June 8 & 9, 2018:** A Two Day Hands-on Research Workshop on "Machine Learning using R and LaTeX" was organized by LIMCOS

**June 14, 2018:** Academic Staff Orientation

**June 16, 2018:** PG Entrance Test

**June 18, 2018:** College reopened for the Senior Students

**June 20 to 23, 2018:** 'LONGING TO BELONG: REFUGEES IN INDIA' (An Exhibition of Photographs by Eminent Photographer Raghu Rai) was organized by LISSTAR

**June 27, 2018:** Inauguration of First Year UG Classes

**June 28, 2018:** LISSTAR Discussion Forum on "Reach and Research: How to find problems under Social Science Research"

**June 28, 2018:** LIMCOS Research Forum on "Infrastructure Management and Client Transformations"

**June 29, 2018:** LOYOLA AWARD 2017

**June 30, 2018:** Loyola Students' Council (2018-2019) Election

## JULY

**July 2, 2018:** Inauguration of First Year PG Classes - {Shift I; Shift II}

**July 5, 2018:** Inaugural Function of the Loyola Students' Council (2018-19)

**July 5, 2018:** A Book Review on "Excluded and Victimized City Makers: Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Dalits among Dalits" was organized by LISSTAR

**July 7, 2018:** Retreat for III Year UG Catholic Boys

**July 8, 2018:** PU-LCS, Staff Orientation Programme

**July 12, 2018:** LISSTAR Discussion Forum on "The Kumaoni Tribe in the Champawat District of the Himalayas"

**July 13, 2018:** Inauguration of the Association of Foreign Languages (2018-2019) & Celebration of the French National Day was organized by Department of Foreign Languages

**July 14, 2018:** Retreat for II Year UG Catholic Boys

**July 17, 2018:** Inauguration of Social Workers' Association for Staff and Students (SWASS) was organized by Department of Social Work

**July 17, 2018:** Inauguration of Forum for Information Technology (FIT) was organized by Department of Computer Science

**July 18, 2018:** Inauguration of Quality Circle and Springboard Leadership Programme for Quality Circle Members was organized by IQAC

**July 18, 2018:** Interactive Session with Mr. C.S. Amudhan, Director, TAMIZH PADAM 2 was organized by Department of Visual Communication, Media Arts & BMM Animation

**July 18, 2018:** Inauguration of B.Com.

**July 18, 2018:** Corporate Forum (2018-2019) - Inauguration of the Business Administration Forum (BAF) 2018-19

**July 19, 2018:** Inaugural function of Thathuva Bodhagar Tamil Ilakkiya manram was organized by Tamil

**July 20, 2018:** Interactive Session with Mr. N. Shanmuga Sundram, Cinematographer organized by Loyola Viscom Film Club, Department of Visual Communication, Media Arts & BMM Animation

**July 20, 2018:** Inauguration of the History Association (2018-2019) was organized by Department of History

**July 22, 2018:** PU-LCS 20th Academic Inauguration Function

**July 23, 2018:** Leadership Training Programme for Loyola Students Council Members

**July 23 to 27, 2018:** "Celebrating Secularism", after 10 years of Kandhamal was jointly organized by Departments of Social Work, History, Sociology, LISSTAR, AICUF Blink, IDCR and Aikya Alayam

**July 24, 2018:** Inauguration of Statistics Association (2018-2019) was organized by Department of Statistics

**July 24, 2018:** Training Program on "Academic Mentoring"

**July 24, 2018:** Club Orientation Programme {Shift I; Shift II}

**July 25, 2018:** Inauguration of Loyola Economics Association for Development (LEAD) was organized by Department of Economics

**July 25, 2018:** Inauguration of ZALC (2018-2019) was organized by Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology

**July 25, 2018:** Inauguration of Loyola Association of Plant Biologist & Biotechnologist (LAPB) was organized by Dept of Plant Biology & Biotechnology

**July 25, 2018:** Seminar on "Effective skill development for career growth" for all the differently abled students was organized by RCDA in collaboration with Indian Association for the Blind

**July 26, 2018:** Inauguration of "Commerce Forum (2018-19)" was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift - II)

**July 27, 2018:** National Business Quiz 2018 was jointly organized by Dept. of Social Work & National Institute of Personnel Management, Madras Chapter

**July 27, 2018:** Career Development Program was organized by Dept. of Computer Science

**July 28, 2018:** Mass of the Holy Spirit

**July 28, 2018:** Seminar on "Big Data Analytics" was organized by FIT, Dept. of Computer Science

**July 29, 2018:** Retreat for I Year UG Catholic Boys

**July 30, 2018:** Homage to St. Ignatius of Loyola {Shift I; Shift II}

**July 30, 2018:** Inauguration of Forum for Loyola Women Students (FLOWS)

**July 30 to August 3, 2018:** Workshop on "Understanding Migration" was organized by Dept. of Social Work

**July 31, 2018:** Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola

## AUGUST

**August 1, 2018:** Inauguration of the Sociology Association (2018-19) was organized by Department of Sociology

**August 2, 2018:** M.Phil. Entrance Test

**August 3, 2018:** The First Session of Academic Mentoring

**August 3, 2018:** Seminar on Waste Management Practices in Educational Institutions Case Study of Loyola College was organized by LIFE

**August 3, 2018:** Loyola Research Park Awardees for the year (2018-2019)

**August 5, 2018:** Loyola Alumni Day

**August 9, 2018:** Inauguration of M.Phil. Classes August 4, 2018 to August 11, 2018: First CIA Test

**August 9 to 11, 2018:** MICROCHEM - 2018 Workshop on "Green Approach to Chemistry Experiments" was organized by Department of Chemistry

**August 13, 2018:** An Orientation Programme for Green Rotaracters "WAKANDA" was organized by Rotaract Club

**August 14, 2018:** Online Safety Workshop was organized by Loyola Forum for Women Students (FLOWS)

**August 15, 2018:** 72nd Independence Day Celebrations & Inaugural Function of 86th Bertram Memorial Tournaments

**August 15 to 31, 2018:** 86th Bertram Memorial Tournaments was organized by Department of Physical Education

**August 18, 2018:** Parent - Teacher Meeting 90th Graduation Day

**August 18, 2018:** Springboard - A Leadership Programme for Quality Circle Member was organized by IQAC

**August 21, 2018:** Special Seminar on "Science and Religion" was organized by Departments of Advanced Zoology & Biotechnology, Chemistry, Mathematics & Physics in collaboration with LIMCOS

**August 22, 2018** "CALL of DUTY" The Installation Ceremony was organized by Rotaract Club

**August 24, 2018:** Open Forum for Students was organized by IQAC

**August 25, 2018:** Retreat for PG Catholic Boys

**August 25-26, 2018:** National Workshop on "Artificial Intelligence" was organized by Department of Computer Science in collaboration with LIMCOS

**August 29 to Sept 3, 2018:** Health Awareness Campaign on Sleep Deprivation was organized by II M.Sc. Viscom, Department of Visual Communication

**August 29, 2018:** A Special Lecture on "Compliance of Auditing and Accounting Standards in the Business World" was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift-II)

**August 30, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum: A Discussion on "A Social Worker's Perspective on Depression among New Mothers"

**August 30, 2018:** Workshop on IOT (Internet of Things) was organized by Forum for Information Technology, Department of Computer Science

**August 30, 2018:** Corpus Christi Procession

## SEPTEMBER

**September 2, 2018:** Retreat for all UG & PG Catholic Girls

**September 5, 2018:** Monthly Mass & Prayer Service

**September 5, 2018:** Teachers' Day Celebrations

**September 5, 2018:** Seminar on International Migration of Indian Nurses was organized by LISSTAR

**September 6, 2018:** Inauguration of Prolife Club (Shift-II)

**September 6, 2018:** Group Photos for Final Years UG, PG, M.Phil. & Research Students

**September 6, 2018:** General Staff Meeting

**September 6, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum A Discussion on Inter Disciplinary Research

**September 10, 2018:** Scholarship Award Programme for the Visually Challenged Students was organized by RCDA in collaboration with Help the Blind Foundation

**September 14 & 15, 2018:** Ovations 2018

**September 17, 2018:** Guest Lecture on "Behavioural Economics" was organized by LEAD, Department of Economics

**September 17, 2018:** Lecture on "Higher Education Opportunities in Germany" was organized by Department of Physics

**September 17, 2018:** International Day of Peace An Interfaith Harmonic Confluence was organized by Loyola Campus Ministry

**September 18, 2018:** Workshop on "Online resources in French" was organized by Department of Foreign Languages

**September 18, 2018:** Guest Lecture on "Accounting and Auditing Standards" was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift II)

**September 20, 2018:** Endowment Lectures was organized by Department of Tamil

**September 24 & 25, 2018:** National Conference on "Women Workers in Unorganized Sector: Health & Working Conditions" was organized by Department of Social Work

**September 26, 2018:** Faculty Development Program on "Learning Management System (LMS) on Cloud" was organized by IQAC

**September 26, 2018:** Vizhithu Ezhu A Drug Addiction Talk and Seminar was organized by Rotaract Club

**September 27, 2018:** World Tourism Day was organized by Department of History in collaboration with Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India

**September 27, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum on "Inter Disciplinary, Multi-Disciplinary and Trans disciplinary Research - A Practitioner's Perspective"

**September 27 & 28, 2018:** National Seminar FOOD SURE 2018 "ONE FUTURE, ZERO HUNGER" was organized by PG Food Chemistry and Food Processing, Department of Chemistry

**September 27 to October 4, 2018:** Online Staff Assessment by the Students

**September 28 & 29, 2018:** Faculty Development Programme for Commerce, Corporate, BBA & Economics Faculty members of Shift II

**September 29, 2018:** Seminar on "Employment Perspectives for the Differently Abled in Private Sectors" was organized by Resource Centre for the Differently Abled (RCDA)

**September 29, 2018:** Orientation Programme for Club Defaulters of 2015 batch & earlier  
September 30, 2018: Retreat for defaulters

## OCTOBER

**October 1, 2018:** Employable Skill Development program in Cyber Security was organized by Department of Computer Science & Applications

**October 3, 2018:** Monthly Mass & Prayer Service

**October 3, 2018:** Academic Mentoring 2nd Session

**October 3, 2018:** NEGIZHI A Seminar on "Plastic Waste Segregation and Management" was organized by Rotaract Club

**October 3, 2018:** Fr. Francis Jayapathy Endowment Lecture was organized by Department of Visual Communication

**October 4, 2018:** One Day Workshop on Re-searching Ecoliteracy: Multidisciplinary Approaches, Methods, Strategies and Frameworks and the launch of LEAF (Loyola Eco-Affirmation Forum) was organized by LISSTAR

**October 5 to October 11, 2018:** Second CIA Test

**October 11, 2018:** Training Program for Personal Mentors

**October 11, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum on "The Role of Children in Disaster Recovery Processes in Chennai, India"

**October 12, 2018:** Medical Camp was organized by Medical Lab Technology in association with Loyola Health Centre & Noble Hospitals

**October 13 to October 17, 2018:** CIA Retest Faculty Development Programme (Shift - II) –

**October 15 & 16, 2018:** Inaugural Ceremony of the International Conference on Computing Sciences

**October 17, 2018:** (ICCS 2018-2019) was organized by LIMCOS

October 17, 2018: General Staff Meeting

**October 22 to November 3, 2018:** Semester Examinations, Nov. 2018

## NOVEMBER

**November 11, 2018:** PU-LCS Twinning Programme 16th Graduation Day

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**November 14 to 16, 2018:** Management Development Programme (MDP) on "IoT and GST for Business Entities and Charitable & Religious Institutions" was organized by Department of Commerce

**November 15, 2018:** Transgender 25 was organized by Dept of Visual Communication & LOYOLA FM 107.4

**November 16 & 17, 2018:** International Conference on Computing Sciences (ICCS 2018-2019) was organized by LIMCOS

**November 19 & 20, 2018:** Faculty Development Programme on "Frontiers in Biological Sciences" was organized for Biotechnology, Chemistry, Food Chemistry & Food Processing and MLT Faculty members of Shift II

**November 23 & 24, 2018:** National Conference on "Excellence in Higher Education" was organized by IQAC

**November 24, 2018:** One-day State Level Seminar on "Is Social Media a Boon or Bane for Life" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy

**November 26 & 27, 2018:** International Conference on "Social Work Profession: An Intercultural Perspectives" was organized by Department of Social Work

**November 28, 2018:** Workshop on Right to Information was organized by Consumer Club & Entrepreneur Development Cell

**November 28, 2018:** Soft Skills Training was organized by Department of Computer Science

**November 29, 2018:** Guest Lecture on "Signalling In Game Theory" was organized by Department of Economics

**November 29, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum A Discussion on Effective Preparation for NET (National Eligibility Test)

**November 30, 2018:** Special Lecture on Exciting and Utility Domain of Bioinformation Technology (Lofty Ideality to Visible Reality) was organized by Department of Advanced Zoology & Biotechnology in collaboration with LIMCOS

**November 30, 2018:** Employable Skill Development Program: Workshop on Chat bots 24 Hours X 365 days - Automated Customer Support Services was organized by Department of Computer Science & Applications

## DECEMBER

**December 1, 2018:** One day Seminar on Social Responsibility was organized by Loyola FM Radio Club

**December 3, 2018:** Faculty Development Program (4th Session) was organized by IQAC

**December 4, 2018:** Dr. G. J. Sudhakar Endowment Lecture was organized by Department of History

**December 6, 2018:** LISSTAR Researchers' Forum A Discussion on Predictors of Emotional Branding

**December 6 & 7, 2018:** International Seminar on "Religious Literature in Multi-dimensional Perspectives" was organized by Department of Tamil

**December 7, 2018:** Monthly Mass & Prayer Service

**December 7, 2018:** Springboard - A Leadership Programme (Third Session) for Quality Circle Members on "Awareness to Addiction" was organized by IQAC

**December 12, 2018:** One day Workshop cum Expo on Herbal | Terrace Garden was organized by Plant Biology and Biotechnology

**December 12, 2018:** Entrepreneurial Skill Development Program in Arduino: Workshop on "Artificial Intelligence" was organized by Department of Computer Science & Applications

**December 12, 2018:** INAIVOM: A Human Chain formation for Women Safety and Women Empowerment was organized by Rotaract Club in Collaboration with YRCS, FOP, NCC (Air Wing) & Enviro Club

**December 13, 2018:** Book launch on A Rural Manifesto and a Public Lecture was organized by LISSTAR

**December 13, 2018:** Deminar on CollPoll - Campus Management, Engagement and Analytics Platform was organized by WEPRO

**December 14 & 15, 2018:** Department Festival

**December 17, 2018:** International Conference on Dictionary and its Etymological Research organized by Departments of English & Tamil in collaboration with Directorate of Tamil Etymological Dictionary Project

**December 19, 2018:** Competition on "Legal Rights of Women" was organized by Department of History

**December 20, 2018:** Guest Lecture on Algebra was organized by Department of Mathematics

**December 20 & 21, 2018:** Faculty Development Programme on R (A tool to solve Mathematical, Physical and Statistical problems) was organized for Mathematics, Physics and Statistics Faculty members of Shift II

**December 22, 2018:** Christmas Celebration for the Students

**December 22, 2018:** Campus Christmas Get-Together for all the Staff

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