



St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai

Feedback Report

2019-20

Stakeholders: Alumni

Introduction:

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai, is known for its illustrious alumni who have made a mark in disciplines ranging from humanities, theatre, journalism, science, environmental and social activism, administrative services, defence and many others. They hold positions of repute in India and abroad, leaving a positive and impactful footprint globally. Having spent their formative years in this college, they are the best people to go back to, for feedback on the strengths and areas of improvement for the college. They are also a potential rich pool of mentors for present day students. Therefore, the college decided to connect with and seek feedback from its alumni in India and abroad. The detailed analysis and implementation of the feedback received will be instrumental in the college standing in global ranks.

Mechanism of feedback:


- A Google Form was created with pertinent questions related to college alumni.
- The weblink of the online form was shared with alumni with a request to complete the form in the stipulated time.
- The form was kept active for one month from the date of activation.
- Data collected was analysed to implement suggestions provided.

Aspects of the questionnaire:

Feedback was sought in the following areas -

- Programme studied
- Alumni interaction and association
- Professional details




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- Perception
- Current activities on campus
- Teaching learning method
- Involvement with institute
- Campus visit
- Recommendations
- Opinion

Summary of Results:

679 alumni responded to the questionnaire, spanning batches from 1969 to the most recent graduating batch of 2018. They had pursued either their junior college, undergraduate or post graduate education in college. They were currently either pursuing higher education in India or abroad, or were employed in various capacities across domains, and several were self-employed, heading their won enterprises.

Only around 45% of the respondents were members of the college Alumni Association, with a majority of the rest willing to be a part of it. This is an improvement over last year's figure of 39% membership, yet efforts need to be initiated in order to enrol more alumni in the association.

84% of alumni stated that the college was known for its high academic standards and a similar percentage (83%) said that it was better known for its fests. 91% of alumni agreed that they had been highly satisfied with their academic journey in college, including the quality of teaching, campus life and extracurricular activities. A large majority were satisfied by the technology and resources provided to them on campus during their student days. Around 45% had visited campus in the last 5 years, while the rest could not mostly because of being placed in different cities in the country or abroad.

77% alumni felt that their awareness about current activities in college was good and above, a definitive increase over 40% last year. This increased awareness was mostly due to information obtained from social networking sites and friends, followed by the college website and other sources. Around 40% felt that the college equipped students with necessary skills to begin working immediately after graduation/ post-graduation, while the rest either did not agree or felt that they




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could not say based on their current knowledge. As a remedial measure, they suggested elective courses, software training, soft skills training and internships that provide a wider exposure to students and increase their employability. They further suggested that the college increase interaction with alumni in industry to provide an added edge to students in terms of industry exposure.

97% of respondent alumni were in touch with their batchmates, a healthy sign of deep friendships forged in campus. An equal percentage agreed that they would recommend St Xavier's College, Mumbai, to others. A majority of them were also willing to reconnect with the college in capacity from philanthropists and employers, and especially with providing students with internship opportunities and training in areas of their expertise.




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