



# ACHARYA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

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## STUDENT SUPPORT AND PROGRESSION

### 5.4.1 - There is a registered Alumni Association that contributes significantly to the development of the institution through financial and/or other support services (500 words)

The Acharya Alumni Association Trust was registered in 2007 under the Government of Karnataka (Reference No.: Society Number BLU-S76-2007-08, CD NUMBERBLUS20), and international chapters in the USA (San Francisco and Chicago), Europe and Africa. All graduates are registered as alumni members.

#### The Objectives of the Alumni Association:

- **Networking:** Maintain a roster of all alumni and their updated pertinent data, foster a sustained sense of belonging among alumni through regular connect, reconnect and strengthen relationships with fellow graduates and the institution.
- **Community Building and Life-Long Learning:** A single platform for exchanging experiences, knowledge dissemination, and talent development, aiming to enhance skill development, personal growth and share scientific knowledge for societal benefit.
- **Collaboration & Reunion:** Strengthens industry-academic collaboration, including public relations, to support students with training, internships, mentorship, placements, entrepreneurship, and higher education.
- **Financial Contributions:** Promotes sense of belonging and pride the alumni voluntarily initiated financial contributions for student scholarships to conduct seminars, special seminars, international webinars, exclusive workshops, and other academic events for the exchange and promotion of knowledge among students, faculty, and the general public.

#### Activities and milestones:

- **The Alumni Knowledge Sharing Series:** Connects alumni with current students through sessions on recent trends in technology, pre-placement training, and domain-specific training.
- **Department Advisory Boards (DAB):** Alumni representation on the Department Advisory Boards (DAB) helps to achieve academic goals in aligning academic programs with industry trends and enhancing overall educational quality. Alumni bring valuable insights from their professional experiences, offering guidance on curriculum updates, placements, internships to ensure students gain relevant skills for the job market..



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- The alumni website is linked to the institution's website and social media platforms at <https://alumni.acharya.ac.in/>.

The Alumni Association maintains a dedicated account for financial contributions, which are utilized in line with the trust's objectives. The alumni trust has received 12A and 80G recognition from the Income Tax Department.

## Notable Alumni Activities and Contributions

### 1. Alumni Chapters

- **4 Chapters:** One local chapter in Bangalore, and three international chapters – one in Tanzania and two in the USA (Chicago and San Francisco).

### 2. Membership

- Every graduate automatically becomes a part of the alumni association.
- Over 18,000 members spread across 34 countries worldwide.

### 3. Annual Alumni Meet

- Hosted annually in Bangalore.
- Participation from all local and international chapters.
- Over 700 alumni attend the event each year.

### 4. Alumni Support for Internships and Placements

- Alumni play a significant role in facilitating internship and placement drives for students.

### 5. Knowledge Sharing Sessions

- More than 70 alumni-led sessions are conducted annually on topics such as domain expertise, career counseling, higher education, and entrepreneurship.

### 6. Alumni Mentorship

- Each alumnus mentors a batch of final-year students, guiding them on their projects.



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## 7. Alumni Association Status

- The Alumni Association is a registered trust.
- Recognized with 80G status by the Income Tax Department, Government of India, offering tax exemption for donors.

## 8. Scholarship Contributions

- Alumni support meritorious students by providing scholarships.
- Contributions amounting to around ₹10 lakhs have been donated by alumni to the association.

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