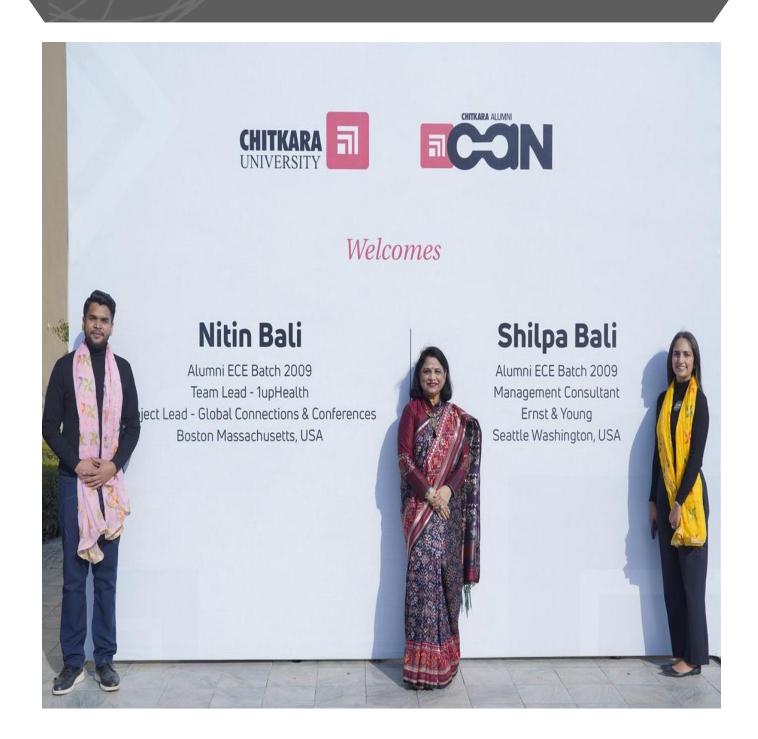
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Chitkara Alumni Association Network is proud to share the incredible gesture of Alumni Nitin Bali and Shilpa Bali, ECE Batch 2009 of connecting back to its roots and contributing towards its AlmaMater. It was a moment of pride for Dr Madhu Chitkara, H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am to welcome Nitin & Shilpa back along with their families as they contributed Rs One Lakh to their Alma Mater as their way of giving back. Nitin is Team Lead is with 1upHealth & Project Lead - Global Connections & Conferences in Boston, Massachusetts and Shilpa is Management Consultant with Ernst & Young in Seattle WA. Shilpa & Nitin were emotional as well as glad to visit their AlmaMater, appreciating the state of art facilities and at the same time feeling very proud to be its brand ambassadors.





Chitkara Alumni Association Network proudly hosted Lt. Cdr Manish Malhan, Deputy Director - Cyber Security, Navy Cyber Group, Ministry of Defence, Delhi, in the 'Alumni Ignite the Spark Series 2024.' It gives us immense pleasure to share that Lt. Cdr Malhan is a luminous alumnus of the Computer Science Engineering batch of 2010. In the enlightening session on 'Securing the Digital Realm: Cybersecurity's Crucial Role in Global Peace,' he addressed the postgraduate and undergraduate students of Chitkara Business School.

The event was graced by Prof. Harkiran Kaur, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Chitkara Alumni Association Network; Dr. Sandhir Sharma, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Chitkara Business School; and Harinderpal Singh, Director, University Sports Board, Chitkara University. Post-session, he was felicitated by Prof. Harkiran Kaur and Dr. Sandhir Sharma. During the visit, Lt. Cdr Malhan expressed his appreciation for the warm welcome extended to him and his family at the alma mater. He also had the opportunity to meet with Dr. Archana Mantri, Vice-Chancellor, Chitkara University.







# Innovation in RJying

Alumni Ignite Spark Series 2024





#### Speaker

### Hrishita Kahol

RJ My FM

Alumni CSMC (2023 passout)

Date: 7th February, 2024 Time: 9:00 am Onwards

Venue: Pulitzer Hall, Chitkara University

Organised by: Chitkara School of Mass Communication



RJ Hrishita conducts session on Innovation in RJying.

On 7 Feb 2024 morning the session was conducted by RJ Hrishita who is with My FM and is posted at Hisar. It was an enlightening and inspiring session as Hrishita shared her journey from the initial classes on radio during her graduation time which led to an internship in channels and later, she got the job just after finishing the UG degree in Journalism and Mass Communication.

Around 100 students of BAJMC and MAJMC attended the session which began with her fascination for radio being sparked and nurtured in creative and technical aspects as she reached to study specialization in Radio as a subject.



A session by RJ Anmol on Connecting Audience with Innovative Ways through Radio.

On 7 February 2024 afternoon CSMC organized RJ Anmol Vaid (Radio Mirchi)'s session with around 100 students of BAJMC and MAJMC in total which was not only captivating and informative but also gave them tips about the everdemanding industry's functioning.

RJ Anmol Vaid shared valuable insights into the world of RJying and the career prospects in the radio industry as copy writer, music scheduler, production etc. He delved into the concept of infotainment and how it plays a crucial role in engaging audiences.

RJ Anmol Vaid showcased his work and shared his journey of becoming a RJ, highlighting his experiences working on prime-time shows. He actively engaged students from BAJMC in hands-on activity where they were tasked with creating advertisements. By providing live examples and practical guidance he empowered them to understand the nuances of crafting in compelling content for radio.



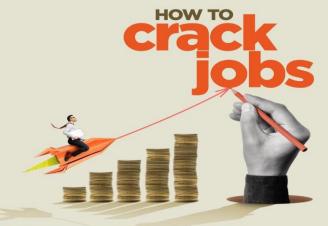
Going forward with the Alumni Ignite Spark Series, Alumni Sudip Saha BAJMC Batch 2011, Director Pocket FM delivered a session on The World of Content Creation to the students of Chitkara School of Mass Communication.







Alumni Ignite The Spark Series 2024



IN INVESTMENT BANKING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES FIRMS?



Siddharth Sriram
CSE Alumni 2014
Product Manager
Union Bank of Switzerland Group
(UBS)





Our Illustrious Alumni of CSE Batch 2014 Siddharth Sriram, Product Manager, Union Bank of Switzerland Group (UBS) addressed the PG/UG students of Chitkara Business School encouraging the young Turks to explore the World of Investment Banking and Financial Services in this session.



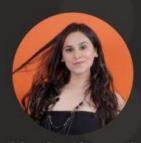
The Department of Interior Design, Chitkara School of Planning and Architecture organized an Alumni Talk on ''Design Thinking- The Futuristic Approach to Professional Practice & Interior Design'' for the students of Interior Design.





Mass Comm Alumni Conclave

# CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN MEDIA



Megha Kumari RJ, Red FM



Gaurav Shukla News Editor Network 18



Manteshwar Singh RM(India & South East Asia) Ziiki Media

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Time: 10:00 am Onwards Venue: Pulitzer Hall

#### Organised by

Chitkara School of Mass Communication in association with Chitkara Alumni Association Network



It was an overwhelming moment to welcome our Alumni for the Media Conclave for sharing insights on Career Opportunities in Media with their successors in School of Mass Communication.

At the outset they expressed their heartfelt gratitude owing their success to their Alma-mater. In a much interactive and engaging session, they illustrated different and multifaceted aspects of Media Industry, sharing different perceptions/realities what Verticals/ options are there for Media students.





#### THE CAREER EDGE

Mastering Communication and Multilingualism

#### Resource person

#### **Anshia Singla**

Alumni CSPA Batch 2017 MSc. Urban Planning in Frankfurt C2 Certified in German

**Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 **Time:** 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Venue: Pierre Hall, Le Corbusier Block





Chitkara University Language Centre-CUPDC in association with Chitkara Alumni Network organized a talk for students of AI-CSE titled Career Edge: Mastering Communication and Multilingualism on September 20th, 2024.



Starting and leading the way to endow and contribute to their alma mater, leaving a lasting legacy for generations to come, is our illustrious alumnus, Dr. Anuj Gupta, from the Electrical Engineering Batch of 2003. He has contributed Rs 1,00,000 towards the upcoming Alumni Hostel and presented the cheque to Dr. Madhu Chitkara, Pro-Chancellor, Chitkara University.



Heartfelt Gratitude messaged on Thanks Giving Day by Alumni Anmol Vaid Batch 2017 of Chiktara School of Mass Communication, currently working with Radio Mirchi Chandigarh.



Four Alumni "GODFATHER", "ALUMNI CHITKARA WARRIORS" and "ALUMNI BRAHMOS" from different batches and branches have participated in T20 6th Edition Chitkara League Cricket Tournament.

### **ALUMNI VICTORY**



Alumni Team lifted the T-20 6th Edition Chitkara League Cricket Tournament Trophy. The Tournament commenced on 9th November, 2024 and on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 the Grand Finale was played between Team Alumni Chitkara Warriors v/s Lapionz Hunter's.



Engineering Batch of 2017 at Chitkara University.

He has completed the Indian Air Force Commissioning Ceremony on 17th December 2022 from Indian Air Force Academy, Dundigal, Hyderabad.

We are proud of Prabhjeet's achievements. His dedication and hard work have truly paid off, and we wish him all the success in his future endeavors.

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#### Our Media Alumni from Ground Zero

Many of our CSMC alumni associated with various national TV channels, as special correspondents, are covering the Ayodhya Event round the clock for their respective media houses. Ms. Jyotsna Patni, Mr. Gaurav Shukla, Ms. Vandana Sirohi, Ms. Deepshikha Bhardwaj have covered the mega event with in depth analysis highlighting historical, political and legal aspects.





Chitkara University is proud to share its distinguished alumnus, Harinder Singh, a graduate of Bachelor's in Computer Applications, Batch 2021, was honored by the UK Government for his exemplary achievements in ethical hacking. Harinder, a seasoned bug bounty-hunter, has played a pivotal role in identifying and addressing over 300 security loopholes for prominent entities, including Google, BMW, Porsche, UN, Singapore Government, and now the UK Government.



Our Illustrious MBA Healthcare Alumni are Wellness Ambassadors shining across the Globe. Alumni Puneet Sra, MBA Healthcare Management Batch 2014-2016 has joined Dubai Health Authority as EPIC Consultant.



### Dr. Meet Dipinder Singh Sodhi

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Development Programme www.in.undp.org

MBA Healthcare Alumni Dr. Meet Deepinder Singh Sodhi, Project Officer Operations, Office of Civil Surgeon, Civil Hospital Hoshiarpur has been selected to work with United Nations Development Program.



Deze kaart is eigendom van de Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam en kan bij misbruik worden ingenomen of geblokkeerd. De rechten en plichten van de houder zijn vastgelegd in het systeemreglement VU-studentenchipkaart en VUpersoneelschipkaart. Deze kaart is geldig zolang aan alle verplichtingen is voldaan.

De vinder wordt verzocht deze kaart te sturen aan:

Vrije Universiteit Studie- en Studentenadministratie De Boelelaan 1105 1081 HV Amsterdam

Dr. Chhavi Garg, MBA Healthcare Alumni Batch 2014-2016 has been offered Scholarship of by VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM.

The VU Fellowship/ Orange Tulip Scholarship is a tuition fee waiver (15790 EUR) for one year (1 Sept 2023- 31 Aug 2024) during which she is enrolled in the Master programme: M Global Health (Research).

Very proud to share that The University had received more than 400 applications this year and our Alumni Dr. Chhavi was among the outstanding students to be awarded with this scholarship.



Proud to share that our illustrious Alumni Sukhman Kaur Ghumman, ECE Batch 2005, Senior Technical Account Manager at Okta, Seattle, USA, Won the Global Technical Account Manager of the year Award.



#### CSPA ALUMNI - Ira Ahuja, Batch 2006

Featured in Larsen & Toubro for her outstanding and exceptional performance. She was among the top two performers from the Construction IC shortlisted out of the 5000 employees of L&T. She was recruited at L&T through a campus placement in 2011 from Chitkara University.

Team CSPA is proud of her and wish her more accolades on her further endeavors.





We're thrilled to celebrate the achievements of our esteemed alums, Dhan Shivekam Nagra & Yugad Shivekam Nagra, who embarked on an academic journey with TRENT University, Canada through the 2+2 Pathway Program at the Center for Global Education, Chitkara University in 2020.

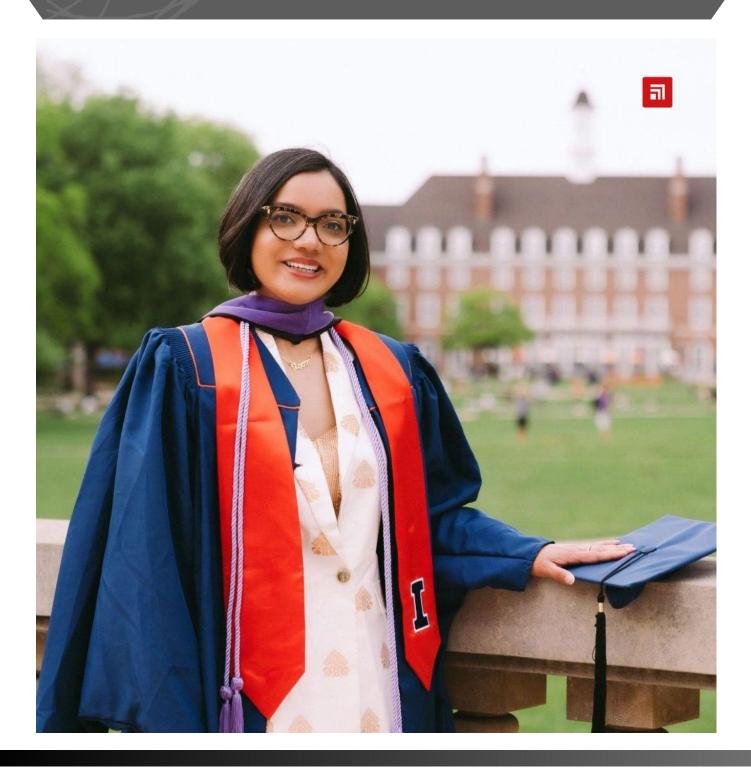
Fresh from their final exams, both Dhan and Yugad excelled brilliantly in their first semester, scoring an impressive 90+! They're set to receive prestigious Gzowski College certificates in Community Engagement, Career Readiness, and Cultural, Community, and Indigenous Engagement.



Our distinguished alumnus, Jaspreet Singh, recently had the honor of interviewing the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, addressing critical geopolitical issues of paramount importance.

Having earned his BAJMC degree from Chitkara School of Mass Communication in 2016, Jaspreet now contributes as a valuable asset at Omni TV in Canada.

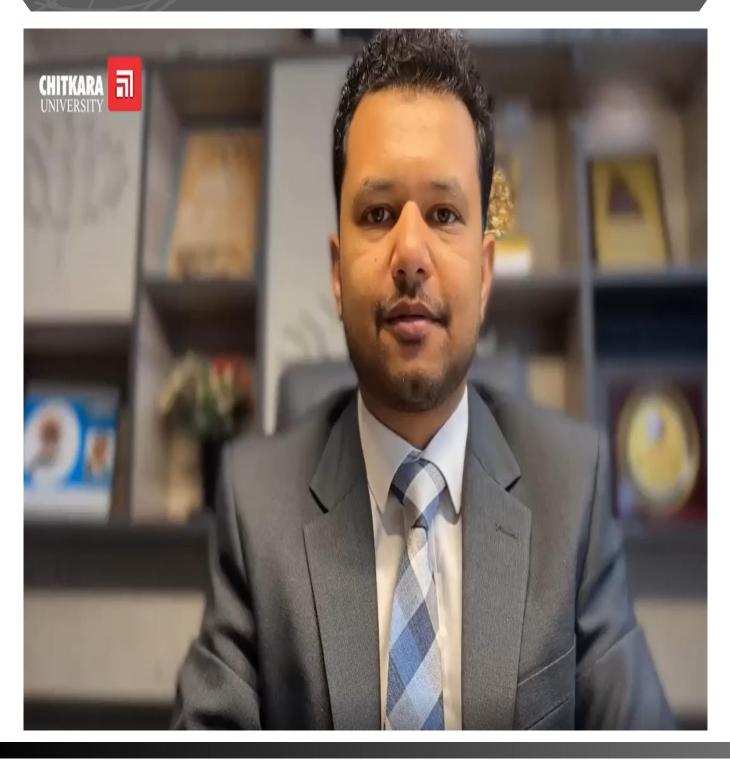
His remarkable accomplishment not only showcases the outstanding talent nurtured at Chitkara University but also emphasizes our steadfast dedication to equipping students with profound knowledge and understanding. Jaspreet's achievement serves as a testament to this enduring commitment.



We are absolutely ecstatic to announce that Ayusmita Deka, an esteemed alumna from Chitkara School of Planning & Architecture, has been bestowed with the highly coveted 'A. Richard William Archon Prize' for her outstanding contributions to design excellence! This accolade stands as a testament to her remarkable talent and dedication.

Ayusmita's remarkable achievement is rooted in her exceptional work on the Archon Boathouse Project at the esteemed Illinois School of Architecture in the USA. Her innovative approach, meticulous attention to detail, and unwavering commitment to excellence have undoubtedly left an indelible mark on the project, earning her the admiration and recognition of peers and professionals alike.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



We celebrate the inspiring journey of Vibhor Mahajan, a distinguished alumnus from our Computer Science and Engineering class of 2004, now serving as Vice President (Software Engineering) at Trantor Software Private Limited, Chandigarh.

Vibhor's ascent from Chitkara University to a leadership position in software engineering epitomizes the solid groundwork and comprehensive education our institution provides. His story mirrors our steadfast commitment to fostering a nurturing learning environment, empowering students to pursue their passions with purpose.

As we continue to champion academic integrity and student success, Vibhor shares a message reflecting our shared dedication to excellence.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



The Chitkara Alumni Association Network is delighted to celebrate the achievement of Dr. Nawal Kishore Arora, our esteemed Ph.D. graduate from 2021-2022, who has recently assumed the role of Director at the Ministry of Skills Development & Entrepreneurship.

Dr. Arora's groundbreaking research on "Quality Initiatives for Higher Education in India," completed under the guidance of Dr. Sandhir Sharma, Pro Vice Chancellor, Chitkara Business School, exemplifies our commitment to excellence.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Nawal Kishore Arora and eagerly anticipate his continued success and contributions to the field.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



Passion and Perseverance gives wings to fly and such is the Journey of our Alumni Jaswinder Kaur - From Chitkara University to Hyderabad to Dubai to London.

Alumni Jaswinder Kaur, MBA Healthcare Batch 2015 of Zirakpur, got Campus placed in Deloitte Health IT Knowledge Processing job on EPIC Software in Hyderabad. Then with added skills, got offer of Application Specialist in Dubai Health City, and now shifted to UK with offer from NHS UK.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT







Alumni Gurseerat Kaur and Nipun Jain (B.Sc. In Culinary Arts, 2020 Batch) had a wonderful opportunity to meet Chef Vikas Khanna at his restaurant 'Bunglow' in New York while doing Internship at Disney, USA. Chef Vikas was extremely happy to meet and interact our alumni. Chef Vikas has visited our campus and shared his experiences and journey.

Chef Vikas too walked down the memory lane of his days at the Chitkara campus and especially his interaction with H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am. He conveyed his deepest and warmest regards to Ma'am.

The Kodak moment- Chef Vikas Khanna felicitated both our alumni with selfautographed chef aprons with lots of love and best wishes.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



Proud to share that Chef Suyash Negi, Alumni of Culinary Arts batch 2019-2022 has been nominated to be a part of the prestigious Emirates Culinary Guild in the "Young Chef" category. He is currently employed at The Dusit Thani Dubai UAE & this comes as a great appreciation and recognition of the culinary finesse that Chef Negi is known for.

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT







Chitkara Design School's student-led film club WeChitr recently celebrated National Cinema Day on the 23rd of September with an event showcasing the best short films that the students of Chitkara University have created this past year. Hosted by both the Department of Communication Design and the Department of Animation Design.



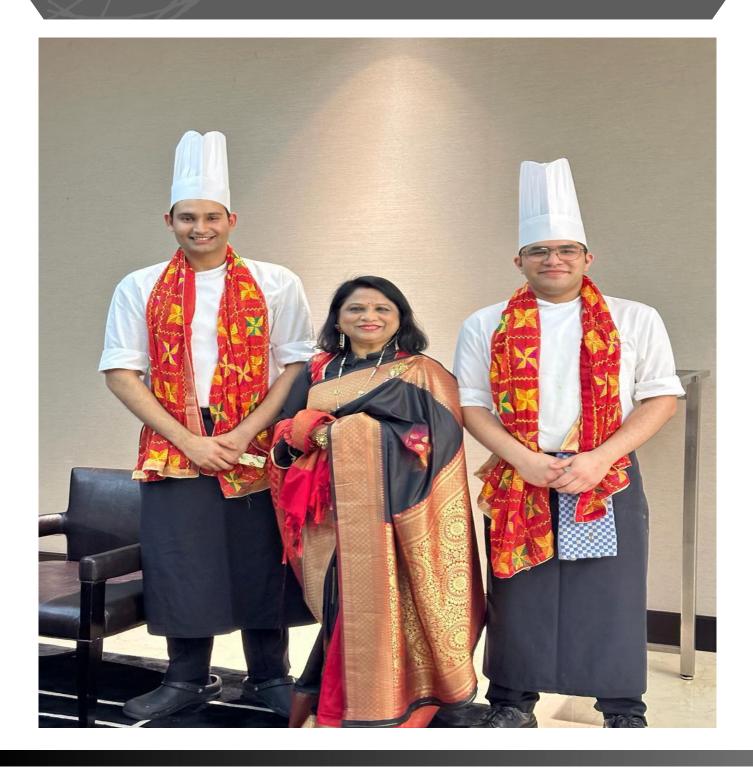
Mr. Sehajeep Singh, a distinguished alumnus from the 2013 BE - CSE batch, engaged with the current students and faculty in a special Alumni Connect event. Mr. Singh, who has made notable strides in his career since graduating, shared his professional journey, insights into the tech industry, and valuable advice for emerging engineers. His session focused on the evolving landscape of computer science, the importance of continuous learning, and strategies for career growth.



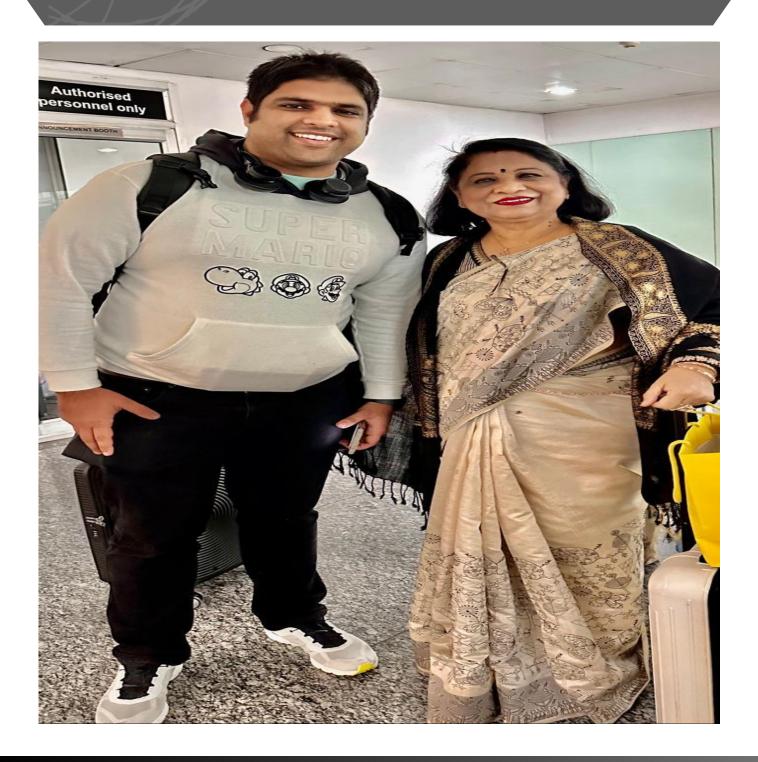
Mr. Piyush Grover, an esteemed alumnus from the 2010 B. Com (Hons) batch, participated in an Alumni Connect event. During the session, Mr. Grover shared his career experiences, offering insights into the finance and commerce sectors. He discussed the challenges and opportunities in the industry, emphasizing the significance of adaptability and strategic thinking. Mr. Grover's talk provided current students with practical advice on career development, networking, and leveraging their education for professional success.



It was like Dr Madhu Chitkara, H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am was walking in Escoffier Block of our Campus when our Alumni of Batch 2019 Hospitality Administration, Chander Balodi and Anubhav Singh working in JW Marriott Marquis Dubai accorded her warm and special welcome.



Not only this, rather students of 2021-2024 (Graduating Batch) of Culinary Arts - Akshit Verma and Saksham Bhasin, also on internship in JW Marriott Marquis Dubai prepared special delicacies for Revered Ma'am. The Chitkara Realm indeed is Beyond Borders H'ble Ma'am blessed the budding faces of Hospitality world and was delighted to meet them all.



Narratives from across the Globe of our Alumni's Rendezvous with H'ble Pro Chancellor Dr. Madhu Chitkara Ma'am are awe inspiring.

Rishabh, ECE Alumni Batch 2013 had the pleasure of meeting and interacting with Revered Ma'am at the Airport. His heartwarming message says it all.



The Journey of these Rendezvous is ongoing and exemplary. Alumni RJ Shalini of School of Mass Comm had her own moment of Glory with H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am in an Event in City Beautiful Chandigarh.



It was an absolute pleasure to have on Campus our illustrious Alumni Nitin Bali, ECE Batch 2009, from Boston Massachusetts, USA. He was nostalgic to be back in his AlmaMater and had the opportunity to meet H'ble Pro Chancellor Dr. Madhu Chitkara Ma'am and Revered Mohit Sir.







We had the pleasure of having on campus Alumni Manish Bajaj, CSE Batch 2012 working as Senior Software Development Engineer with Amazon in Seattle, Washington, USA.

He had the opportunity to meet H'ble Pro Chancellor, Dr Madhu Chitkara Ma'am and Revered Mohit Sir. He expressed his gratitude to them for shaping his career as he got the Campus placement in Amazon and since then there has been no looking back.



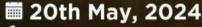






## **ALUMNI IGNITE THE SPARK SERIES 2024**

Ideation to Creation: A Journey of An Entrepreneur



9:00 AM Onwards

**Q** Pierre Hall

#### **Event Coordinators**

Dr. Prateek Dhasmana, Ar. Shubham Jain Assistant Professors, CSPA

#### Organised by

Chitkara Alumni Association Network Team Advanced Studies Chitkara School of Planning and Architecture Chitkara University, Punjab







### A Dialogue with

Alumni Ar. Shivansh Sharma CSPA Batch 2015

Founder & Director: Bloom Coffee Roasters Senior Designer: SD Sharma & Associates

Chitkara School of Planning and Architecture is pleased to announce the successful conclusion of the expert lecture titled "Ideation to Creation: The Journey of an Entrepreneur," held in collaboration with the Chitkara Alumni Network (CAN).

The lecture featured Ar. Shivansh Sharma, a distinguished alumnus of the school, who is the Founder & Director of Bloom Coffee Roasters and a Senior Designer at SD Sharma & Associates. Ar. Sharma shared invaluable insights from his own entrepreneurial journey, offering practical advice on how to successfully merge creative design with business strategies.

Ar. Sharma's talk was not only informative but also highly inspiring, encouraging current students to envision and plan their own entrepreneurial ventures. His story emphasized the importance of innovation, persistence, and the ability to adapt creative ideas into viable business models. The success of this lecture underscores the commitment of both CAN and CSPA to foster a supportive and inspiring environment for future architects, equipping them with the necessary skills to navigate the intersection of design and entrepreneurship.



"Ashish Verma, a proud graduate of the B.Tech Computer Science Engineering batch of 2002, reconnecting on 26th October 2024."



"Amit Jamwal, a proud graduate of the B.Tech Mechanical Engineering batch of 2006, reconnecting on 26th October 2024."



It was a moment of immense pride as our Alumni of MBA Finance Batch 2011, Rohit Girdhar, Regional IC, IDFC First Bank, visited our Head Office to meet and greet Dr. Madhu Chitkara, H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am.



It's always overwhelming for H'ble Chancellor Sir and H'ble Pro Chancellor Mam whenever our Alumni meet them. It was a nostalgic moment for Alumni Khushmeet Singh, ME Batch 2012 working with Hero MotoCorp.



It was a moment of immense pride as our Alumni of Hospitality Batch 2017, Saksham Arora, visited our CAAN Office to meet and greet Prof. Harkiran Kaur, Pro Vice Chancellor Ma'am.



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It was a moment of immense pride as our Alumni of Btech CSE Batch 2004, Amit Dogra & Vibhor Mahajan, visited our CAAN Office to meet and greet Prof. Harkiran Kaur, Pro Vice Chancellor Ma'am.

### **ALUMNI MEET**

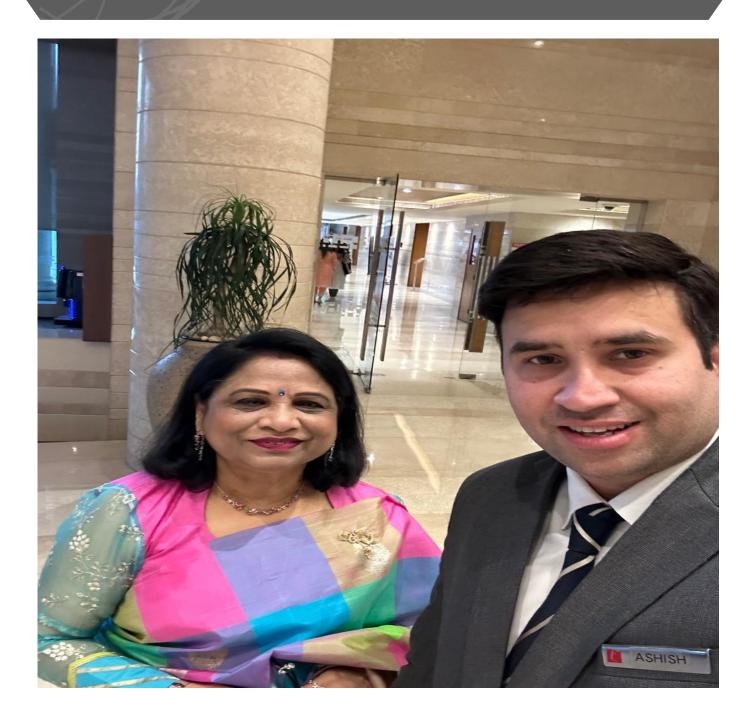


The Chitkara Alumni Association Network, in partnership with the Chitkara School of Planning and Architecture, successfully hosted an alumni meet under the theme Reconnect. Rebuild. Rediscover.

This event was a valuable opportunity for alumni to reconnect with their batch mates, share experiences, and strengthen professional networks. It was a reunion filled with engaging conversations and insightful discussions, making it a truly memorable occasion.



## ALUMNI GLORY



The Alumni Glory is all about the lakhs of lives touched by Dr. Madhu Chitkara, H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am spanning more than four decades.

It was overwhelming for Alumni Ashish Verma, IHM Batch 2007 working as Associate Head of Sales in Hotel the Lalit Chandigarh to meet the most inspiring persona Dr. Madhu Chitkara, H'ble Pro Chancellor Ma'am on this International Women Day.

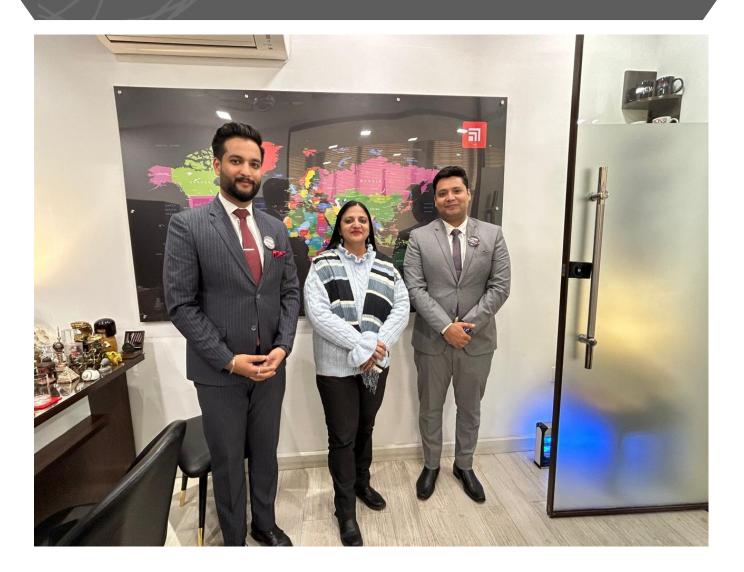
### **ALUMNI GLORY**



Our illustrious Alumni Emily Sakupwanya Batch 2024 graduated as a Topper of B. Optometry.

Her Respected Father flew down from Zimbabwe to be with her in Convocation Ceremony on 30th August, 2024. He expressed his appreciation and gratitude towards Chitkara University.

### **ALUMNI SPARK SERIES**



The "Alumni Spark Series" by Shivang Sen and Siddharth Sharma, centered around the topic "Marriott Voyager: A Turning Point,". The series could explore how Marriott's Voyager initiative has played a crucial role in shaping the brand's strategy, innovation, and growth, particularly in areas like customer experience, technology adoption, or global expansion.

### **CONVOCATION 2024**

### CHITKARA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NETWORK

### PROCESS - CONVOCATION 2024

- Students to fill information on our ERP CHALKPAD, also the CAAN
   Registration Google Form Link are circulated before the Convocation and the process starts in the Month of April.
- 2. The students who could not/did not fill **online Form/ Google Form** are required to fill the information form when they come to campus for Convocation.













## VALEDICTORY FUNCTION OF CCHM BATCH 2021-2024















As one chapter ends, another begins!

Chitkara School of Hospitality, Chitkara University bid farewell to the Batch of 2021-2024, resonating with camaraderie, laughter and heartfelt farewells. Let's cherish the memories, laughter and wish exciting journeys ahead for our hospitality students!

