

Holy Cross College (Autonomous)

Nagercoil - 629 004

Affiliated to Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli Nationally Accredited with A+ Grade (CGPA 3.35) by NAAC IV Cycle An ISO 9001: 2015 Certified Institution SSR 2019-2020 to 2023-2024

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5.3.2 Presence of an active Student Council & representation of students on academic & administrative bodies/committees of the institution

ACTIVITIES OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL 2019-2020

Mission: Accomplishing Transformational Leadership, Developing Innovative Skills through Art and Culture

The Dean of Students office, Holy Cross College promotes student services, advocacy, leadership, involvement, civic engagement, civility, and diversity by creating positive experiences for students. Student Council works to help students to succeed academically and become contributing members of our campus and community.

Vision: Coordinating activities for the welfare of students

Strive to create socially conscious, ethically studios, law-abiding, diligent citizens who have an inherent commitment to integrity in all they do.

ORIENTATION TO THE FRESHERS

The Parents Teachers Association organised an Orientation programme to the I UG Students and their parents on 12th of June 2019. The meeting began with the invocation. Vice Principal Dr. Sr. Leema Rose, welcomed the gathering. The heighlights of the institution were showcased by the Dean of Students with the help of Powerpoint and Audio-Visual presentation. Principal Dr. Sr. Sophy addressed the students regarding the rules and regulations of the college. Special guest Dr Rajam, Former Professor, Department of Economics motivated the students with her inspiring talk. Dr. Jimsy Asha, Co-ordinator of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell, made the students aware of the functioning of the IQAC and the importance of NAAC grading through her address. Instruction was given regarding Scholarships and Concession for public transportation. Dr. Anitha Malbi, Co-ordinator of the PTA, proposed the vote of thanks.

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION

The annual general election of the student council nurtures leadership skills in students. The student council provides a unique opportunity for its elected members to represent their peers. The members of the student council are elected through the annual general election held at the college. There is a healthy competitive spirit that exists throughout the election, in which the student community gets an opportunity to become decision-makers. The student council provides its elected members with a platform to improve confidence and refine interpersonal skills.

Eligibility

- The candidate should not have any arrear
- She should be punctual and value personal integrity
- She should have good communicative skills both in English and Tamil be able to address large gathering.
- She should maintain a healthy relationship with the management, staff and students.

Election Process:

- The election for the academic year 2019- 20 was held on 01.07.2019
- Announcement regarding the Student Council Election was made on 21.6.2019.
- The last date for submitting nomination: June 26th before 2 pm
- Address by the candidates: 1.7.2019 FN, in the multipurpose Hall
- Election, in a democratic way, was held on 1.7.2019 AN

The Eligibility Criteria for the Candidates are as follows:

- The candidates should not have any arrears
- The candidates should be punctual and a person of good value
- The candidates should be very fluent in Tamil & English
- The candidates should be able to address the gathering without the support of any written material
- The candidates should be able to maintain a healthy relationship with the management, Staff & Students.

The Student Council Election was held in a democratic manner.

The following members were elected as the Office Bearers of the Student Council:

President A. Arthi III BA English (Aided)

Vice-President: R. Jeni Siyoni III B.Sc Mathematics (Aided)

Secretary: I. H. Anns Fetrica II BA English (S.F)

Joint-Secretary: R. Ragavi I BCom (S.F)

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Inauguration of the Clubs & Committees and Installation of the Office Bearers of the Student Council was held on 08-07-2019

LEADERSHIP TRAITS

Students are given various opportunities to initiate and innovate at several levels. They learn to express their ideas and opinions confidently while respecting diverse perspectives. They also develop teamwork skills that enable them to work harmoniously with peers by leveraging individual strengths to achieve common goals. A separate day is allotted each semester for student administration. Student administrative roles also mould leadership traits among students. All these provide room for the students to self-administer their tasks on hand and also of their peers.

CULTURAL PROGRAMMES

Several cultural programmes are organized by the student council in collaboration with internal or external collaborators from time to time. Apart from academics, these cultural programmes bring to action numerous skills that provide the students with an opportunity to express themselves with artistic creativity. In addition to programmes conducted within the premises of the college, the students are motivated to participate in intercollegiate events that help them fine tune their teamwork and problem-solving skills, which are highly valued qualities in today's world.

CELEBRATION OF FESTIVALS

The college allows students to break free from their routine by facilitating the celebration of cultural and religious festivals of importance and commemorating significant events in a calendar year. Celebration and commemoration aid student engagement, provides inspiration

through featured sharing of experiences by experts, and promote cultural appreciation by allowing students to reconnect with their roots by developing social awareness.

Onam Celebration

Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala was celebrated in the campus on 9.9.2019. Students brightened the campus with their colourful ethnic wear in the traditional attire of Kerala. The student council arranged Thiruvathirai dance, semi classical dance, and Mavali Chakravarthi Speech. The celebration captures the egalitarian and secular traditions passionately preserved by Malayalis over centuries. Onam Celebration was held in the presence of Ms. Lucy Baek and Ms. Yasmin Lee from International Women's Peace Group, South Korea. Various cultural events were brought on-stage with a message given by Ms. Sadhana, Assistant Professor, Department of English (Aided).

Holy Cross Feast Celebration

Holy Cross Feast was celebrated on 13.9.2019, in collaboration with the Staff Club. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, also known as the Triumph of the Cross, is a significant Christian celebration that commemorates the discovery of the True Cross. By integrating various activities, the students created a rich and engaging observance of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of its significance among the campus community.

Screening of Movie

As per the instruction of the government, "Kuzhanthaigalin Mundaasu Kavignan" movie was screened for all the students on 27-09-2019

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Graduation Ceremony

Graduation Day marks the beginning of a new chapter in a student's life and provides a chance to commemorate and reflect on the fresh graduate's entire educational journey. Congratulating the hard work, dedication, and academic achievements of students and acknowledging their successful completion of the academic requirements, Graduation Day, which represents a transition from student life to the professional world or further education, is

celebrated on 14-12-2019.

Pongal Celebration

The Pongal Festival was celebrated on 11-01-2020. It was a resounding success, drawing a diverse crowd of students, faculty, and staff. The event not only highlighted the cultural richness of Tamil Nadu but also fostered a sense of unity and joy within the campus. The active participation and enthusiasm of attendees were testament to the event's impact and significance.

A live demonstration of cooking Pongal, the traditional sweet dish made from rice, milk, and jaggery, was conducted. Traditional Tamil games like *Uriyadi* (pot breaking) and tug-of-war were organized, drawing enthusiastic participation from students and staff.

The College Day Celebration for the academic year was cancelled due to outbreak of Covid-19 and the subsequent Lockdown.



