



SARASWATHI NARAYANAN COLLEGE
(Autonomous Institution Affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University)
(Reaccredited with Grade B ^(2.78) by NAAC)
(DST-FIST Funded Institution)
Perungudi, Madurai - 625 022

Best Practices

1. Academic Audit

Objectives

- To assess the academic performance of the departments and so the institution.
- To make conscious of the strengths and weaknesses of the institution.
- To update the curriculum, teaching, learning and evaluation methods.
- To strengthen the quality culture of the institution.
- To ensure effective use of available institutional resources.

Context

In view of the changing needs of the fast changing world, the demand for the advanced skills has increased in the job and entrepreneurial markets. The role of the institution has become more challenging in terms of preparing the students job-ready with matured skills. So the need of revamping the educational profile and delivery system has become inevitable. Academic Audit diagonalises the academic process of the institution to recommend efficient academic practices for the better institutional quality culture, hence its inevitable need.

Practice

The Academic Audit is a peer review process including a campus visit by peers from other institutions. The Audit committee assesses the programmes in detail, curriculum, teaching-learning and evaluation process. By surfacing strengths and weaknesses of the institution on various criteria, it places constructive recommendations to enable the faculty to improve the quality of teaching and learning exercises and so to promote holistic growth of students. Documents related to syllabus, course schedules, internal assessments, assignments, seminars, teaching methodology, attendance of the students, teaching profile, teachers` other academic and professional, achievements, covering of syllabus, question patterns, result review, ward system, feedback system, remedial measures, evaluation process, etc. are judiciously examined by the committee to identify the grey areas to be addressed to enhance quality culture of the institution.

Evidence of Success

With internal academic audit, the faculty have become conscious of the gap in the teaching-learning process and addressed it with changing strategies and methodologies to ensure the effective impact on the whole exercise of learning. The college has contracted MOUs with more number of institutions. It has ensured effective and proper maintenance of all documents. The standard of questions papers has improved. Teachers have initiated more efforts to improve the quality of teaching-learning process.

2. Recognizing and Encouraging the Achievements of the Students with Endowment Awards

Objectives

- To motivate the students to excel in academics and life skills.
- To make the students feel recognized for their efforts exerted.
- To promote healthy competition among the students for excellence.
- To make the students practice quality culture by heart and soul.

Context

The institution believes that healthy and appropriate motivation is the spring board of any advancement in the academic life of the students. The skills, abilities, regularity of the students need to be highly recognized and honored to upspirit themselves to scale further heights in their life. The college demonstrates strong faith in reward system which greatly influences the students' academic and personality behavior, hence the practice.

Practice

The institution has encouraged the staff to create Endowments with the sole purpose of motivating the students to excel in their academic and behavioral endeavors. The following is the list of endowments instituted.

Medals and Certificates

1.	Dr. A. Ganesan Endowment Silver Medal for the best graduate in History
2.	Dr. M. Ilamaran Silver Medal for the best graduate in English
3.	Saraswathi Narayanan College, Maths Staff Silver Medal for the best graduate in Mathematics
4.	V.K. Subramania Sastri Memorial Silver Medal for the best student of I B.Sc. Mathematics
5.	Arumana K. Madhavi Amma Memorial Silver Medal for the best student in II B.Sc. Mathematics
6.	Pro. N. Mohanram Silver Medal for the best student of III B.Sc. Mathematics
7.	Mrs. Gandhimathi Nagappan Silver Medal for the best graduate in Physics
8.	Saraswathi Narayanan College Chemistry Staff Silver Medal for the best graduate in Chemistry
9.	Dhurvas Silver Medal for the best graduate in Botany
10.	Thiruvai Thirunagari Regunathan Silver Medal for the best student of B.Com
11.	Tmt. Rajam Gopal Silver Medal for the student who tops in Part I Tamil in the University Examinations.
12.	Mr. G.P. Sangoyee Medal For the best graduate of the academic year
13.	C. Balasubramanian Aruna Endowment Silver Medal for the best student in Ancillary Economics in B.Com and B.A. History
14.	Saraswathi Narayanan College Maths Staff Silver Medal For the best PG student in Mathematics

15.	Mrs. M. Mahalakshmi W/o. Pro. N. Mohanram Silver Medal for the best student of II M.Sc. Mathematics
16.	Saraswathi Narayanan College Chemistry Staff Silver Medal for the best PG student in Chemistry
17.	Komandur Srinivaschariar Silver Medal for the best PG student in Botany
18.	Saraswathi Narayanan College Silver Medal for the best student in Statistics
19.	A. Venkata Subramania Iyer Memorial Silver Medal for the best student in M. Phil Mathematics
20.	Chelliah Saraswathi Endowment Silver Medal for the best student of M.A. Economics

Endowment Prizes: Book & Certificates

1.	Mr. Nesamani Swamidoss Endowment award for discipline and regularity in attendance (Botany)
2.	Joseph Bethane Endowment prize for being regular in attending classes (English)
3.	Pattamangalam Karuppan Chettiar M.K. Joseph Endowment prize for the student of II B.Sc. Physics
4.	Engineer Kandhan Endowment Prize for a poor OC student (Chemistry)
5.	Harihara Bharathi Memorial Endowment Prize for a poor OC student in Mathematics
6.	Thiruvالي Thirunagari Regunathan Scholarship for the best B.Com. graduate
7.	Mr. S.M. Mitra Endowment prize for the best B.Com graduate
8.	Mrs. T. Saraswathi Endowment Prize for the best Arts Student
9.	City Cultural Association Endowment Prize for the best student (Commerce)
10.	Dr. D.R. Prakash Baby Memorial Endowment Scholarship for best graduate in Botany
11.	Mrs. Visalakshi Thiagarajan Endowment Prize for the best Science Student (Physics)
12.	Sultan Chand Endowment Scholarship for best graduate in Commerce
13.	Nagapattinam Auimazahai Natarajan Mangayarkarasi Memorial Prize for III B.A. English student for his top score in major papers of 1 st four semesters.
14.	City cultural Association Endowment prize For the best PG student in Economics
15.	City Cultural Association Endowment prize for the best PG student in English
16.	City cultural Association Endowment prize for the best PG student in Commerce
17.	S. Venkateshan Endowment Prize for the best PG student of Physical Chemistry
18.	Prof. Miss. Pungugu Endowment Prize for the best PG student in Botany
19.	Thanjavur Thirukkandiyur Thirunavukkarasu Maragathavalli Memorial Prize for II M.A. English student for his top score in the two semesters.
20.	S. Sundar Memorial Endowment Prize for the best outgone M.Sc. Chemistry student who topped in Organic Chemistry.
21.	Manikavasagar press proprietor Prof. Dr. Meyyappan Endowment Prize for the best student in Part I Tamil
22.	K.S. Krishnamoorthy Endowment scholarship for a differently abled student
23.	Kamalam Unnamalai Achi Endowment Prize for differently abled student
24.	Best Commerce student for Extracurricular Activities
25.	Special prizes to students who Participated in Intercollegiate Cultural events
26.	Special Prizes for NSS Volunteers Unit 19, Unit 20,Unit 21
27.	Srimath Paramananda Swamiji's Prize for the best Interactor

28.	Saraswathi Narayanan College B.Sc. Chemistry 1980-83 batch students Endowment Prize for the best Chemistry major students in I B.Sc. (I Semester), II B.Sc. (upto 3 rd Semester) and III B.Sc. (upto 5 th Semester in Part III)
29.	Sri Hayagreeva Award for the best Ph.D. Research Scholar
30.	Kattakulam Ovireddiar Endowment Prize for I B.Sc. Physics student
31.	Madurai Poonthottam Rajayoki Palani Swamigal Memorial Award for the best student with spiritual inclination
32.	M. Subbulakshmi Ammal Memorial Award for the best girl student in English
33.	Tirunelveli: S. Ramamoorthy Iyengar Memorial Award for the best girl student with academic Responsibility.
34.	Maj. Dr. V. Kamarasan Cash award for economically poorest and academically best B.Com student.
35.	Dr. J. Joseline Manora Cash award for economically poorest and academically best M.Com student.
36.	Maj. Dr. V. Kamarasan Cash award for outstanding NCC SD Cadet.
37.	Dr. J. Joseline Manora Cash award for outstanding NCC SW cadet.

Students are identified for their best performance in academics, regularity, and discipline and honored with Endowment Awards on the day of College Day celebrations.

Evidence of Success

Regularity in attendance has improved. Healthy competition for academic excellence among the students is realized. Pass percentage of the students has improved. General behavior of the students is found matured.

Challenges Encountered

- Shortlisting the students on the aspects of quality behavior.
- Lack of motivation among some students despite efforts.
- Mobilizing all the students to witness the awarding ceremony to get themselves inspired. However the HOD and the class in charge teachers of each department diagonalise the behavior of the students and judiciously finalize the list of winners. Teachers are committed to the practice of counseling and motivating the low beating students to cherish sense of achievement.