




Policy for Life-Long Learning Measures

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SDGs Directly Supported:

- SDG 4 – Quality education

SDGs Indirectly Supported:

- SDG 10 - Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 17 - Partnerships for the Goals

Life-Long Learning Measures Policy

SPIHER is committed to promoting lifelong learning and ensuring inclusive access to education for all, regardless of age, background, or status. The university supports the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 4 (Quality Education), focusing on inclusive and equitable education and lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Library Access: The SPIHER library is open to the public, offering free access to books, journals, and digital resources during designated hours. This supports research, self-study, and skill development for the local community, including rural, low-income, and marginalized groups.

Computers and Internet: Free access to computers and high-speed internet is provided in public areas to facilitate online learning, research, and digital skill-building for non-students.

Online Courses and Lectures: SPIHER shares free online courses and open lectures through its e-learning platform. These resources cover technology, sustainable development, and general education, accessible to anyone.

Community Workshops: The University organizes free workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns for the public. Topics include digital literacy, environmental awareness, career guidance, and sustainable living.

Executive Education and Vocational Training: SPIHER offers certificate courses and skill development workshops for working professionals, alumni, and community members. These are often delivered in partnership with industry and through online platforms to ensure flexibility and inclusivity.

Educational Outreach: SPIHER regularly visits local schools, especially in rural and marginalized areas, to conduct interactive sessions, career guidance, and subject-specific demonstrations. Student-led outreach projects, such as literacy drives and environmental campaigns, are encouraged and supported.

Public Awareness Campaigns: Public lectures, seminars, and exhibitions are held on topics like climate change, gender equality, and sustainable living. These events are open to all and often feature external experts, NGOs, and government representatives.

Inclusive Access and Non-Discrimination

SPIHER ensures barrier-free access to all academic, research, and extracurricular activities. The campus is wheelchair accessible, and special accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities.

The university upholds a Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity Policy, prohibiting discrimination based on ethnicity, religion, disability, immigration status, gender, sexual orientation, or any other personal characteristic.

Gender equality is actively promoted through gender sensitivity training, safe campus policies, and support networks for women.



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4.3.5 - Does your university as a body have a policy that ensures that access to these activities is accessible to all, regardless of ethnicity, religion, disability, immigration status or gender?

Yes. St. Peter's Institute of Higher Education and Research (SPIHER) upholds a strong commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion in all its academic and outreach activities. The institution has well-defined policies and practices that ensure equal access and participation for all individuals — irrespective of ethnicity, religion, caste, gender, disability, socio-economic background, or immigration status.

SPIHER's Equal Opportunity Policy, aligned with constitutional and statutory mandates, guarantees a discrimination-free environment across all academic, administrative, and community-based initiatives. The university's Anti-Discrimination Cell, Gender Sensitization Committee, and Grievance Redressal Cell work collaboratively to monitor and uphold inclusivity in every programme and event.

All educational activities, including outreach programmes, training sessions, and community engagement initiatives, are designed and implemented with universal accessibility in mind. Facilities such as ramps, elevators, assistive technologies, and inclusive learning materials ensure that persons with disabilities can participate fully.

Additionally, SPIHER promotes gender equity and social inclusion through awareness drives, workshops, and sensitization programmes, fostering respect for diversity and cultural harmony among students and staff.

Through these institutional mechanisms and policies, SPIHER ensures that access to education and community engagement remains open, fair, and inclusive for all, reflecting the university's core belief in "Education without barriers."

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
In association with
National Service Scheme (NSS)
Organizes
Comprehensive Dental Screening Camp
For SPIHER Staffs and Students
By Dentists from Saveetha Dental College

7th November 2024
10.30 am to 12.30 pm
Mechanical block Seminar hall

Convenor
Prof. Vasudevan T J
Director - SPSCA

Faculty Co-Ordinator
S. Arun Deepak
Assistant Professor - SPSCA

Co-Ordinators
Dr. P. Periyasamy, NSS Co-Ordinator
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**Activities accessible to all regardless of ethnicity, religion –
Dental Screening Camp**

Report on Dental Screening Camp

The **Department of Architecture**, in collaboration with the **NSS Unit**, conducted a Dental Screening Camp on **7th November 2024** inside the university campus. The event was planned with the goal of creating better awareness about oral hygiene and offering free dental check-ups for everyone within and around the university.

A team of trained dental professionals carried out the screenings. They examined the oral health of the participants, shared useful tips on how to take care of teeth and gums, and advised those who needed further treatment. Students, faculty, non-teaching staff and people from the nearby locality took part in the camp and benefited from the service.

This initiative reflected the university's belief in providing equal opportunities for all, without any discrimination based on religion, gender, disability, or background. By opening its doors to the local public, the institution once again showed its commitment to social responsibility and community welfare.

The camp received a positive response and helped spread the message of preventive dental care. Overall, it proved to be a successful outreach activity that supported healthier lifestyles among both the campus community and neighbouring residents.



Activities regardless of ethnicity, religion, gender



Pongal Celebration in the SPIHER campus in the year 2024

Social Media Link:

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/spiherchennai_pongalfestival-spihercelebration-departmentofcommerce-activity-7151170084403613696-377e?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_android



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Onam Celebration in the SPIHER campus in the year 2024

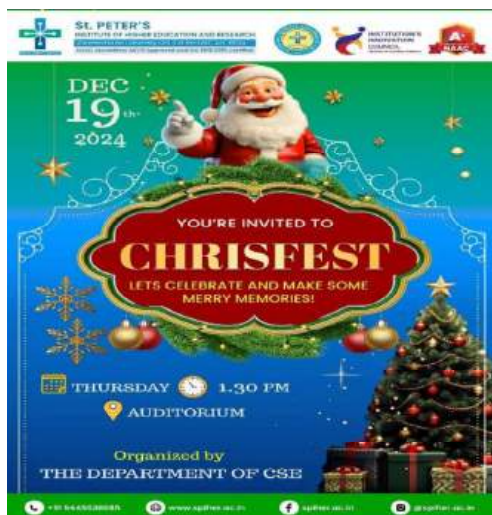
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Christmas Celebration in the SPIHER campus in the year 2024

Extension and Community Outreach Event Schedule – 2024

S.No	Date	Title of the Events
1.	12.01.24	Pongal Celebrations
2.	23.01.24	Workshop on Microsoft Excel & Creation of Gmail Account
3.	14.02.24	Workshop titled “Electronics Mastery
4.	08.03.24	Women’s Day Celebration
5.	24.07.24	Awareness on Blood Cancer and Blood Stem Cell Transplantation
6.	30.07.24	Sapling Plantation Drive - Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam - One Tree in the Name of Mother
7.	14.08.24	Food Safety Measures
8.	28.08.24	Mass Anti-drug Awareness Programme (Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan)
9.	04.09.24	Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan - Serenity Sessions: Exploring Yoga and Meditation
10	05.09.24 & 06.09.24	Aadhaar Camp
11	12.09.24	Water conservation and rain water harvesting
12	20.09.24	Onam Celebrations
13	24.09.24	National Service Scheme Day
14	30.09.2024	Enhancing Environmental Awareness on the Impact of Plastic Pollution”
15	01.10.24	From Calm to Clarity: How Meditation Improves Student Learning and Well-being
16	03.10.24 – 09.10.24	Navarathri – Golu Celebrations
17	07.10.24	How Computers Work: Demystifying Hardware for Young Minds
18	09.10.24	Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 - Swachhata Pledge and Sapling Plantation
19	18.10.24	Walk for Freedom – Human Trafficking
20	25.10.24	Field Research on Rural Livelihood
21	29.10.24	Quiz competition-vigilance awareness week
22	05.11.24	Integrity Pledge for Citizens - vigilance awareness week

23	29.10.24	Corruption Free India for developed nation- poster and slogan contest
24	06.11.24	Culture of Integrity for Nations Prosperity
25	07.11.24	Comprehensive dental screening camp
26	11.11.24	Stay Safe, Stay Smart: The Vigilant Youth Initiative
27	20.11.24	Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign- Plastics Free Campus
28	19.12.24	Christmas Celebrations