



In an era of competition, as is today, one is constantly aiming to better the best. The lure to attain international education is always a predominant thought at the back of the mind of most students, but the focus so far has mostly been to study abroad after graduation. However, such facilities are now available even at undergraduate levels where institutes collaborate with foreign universities to make foreign degrees available to students. It goes without saying that a student needs to be doubly sure of the credentials of both the Institute in India and abroad.

Vidyalankar School of Information Technology (VSIT) has been instrumental in building rewarding careers for its students who are opting for collaborated courses with universities across the globe. These collaborations which began a decade ago, have gained in strength and popularity with scores of students opting for the same for better prospects. For Engineering aspirants there are multiple opportunities available namely Penn State University, USA, offering a

B.S in Information Science and Technology (IST), Rutgers University, USA and California State University, USA both offering B.S in Computer Science, Aston University UK, offering BSc in Software Engineering and University of Fraser Valley, British Columbia, Canada offering BS in Computer Information System (CIS).

For students opting for a career in management, there are again multiple University tie-ups. University of Toledo, Ohio State offers a BBA degree, University of South Carolina offers B.S in Business Administration, Penn State University offers a BS in Business and Royal Roads University, Canada offers BBA in Sustainability and International Business.

The courses panning full four academic years with 2 years at Vidyalankar and 2 years abroad, are a perfect example cultural mix in education. "It's a nice fusion of the best of both the worlds," says Dr Rohini Kelkar, Principal, Vidyalankar School of Information Technology. "The two years at Vidyalankar grooms the students to withstand the

sudden exposure to the two years abroad. They are easily able to mould themselves through this transition in a gradual way"

Vidyalankar makes the transition easy and smooth as is gauged from the sentiments expressed by a parent, " Right from the time our daughters enrolled into the program we have been plagued by inner fears, Vidyalankar has helped us understand and quell each little niggling fear. The hand holding is just perfect, and we have every right to say we made the best choice for our children, " says Sewlikar, who has sent both his daughters to Toledo through the Vidyalankar collaborations.

Nishita Sule, an exuberant student at Penn State, is quite emphatic in her statement when she says, " The collaboration program with Penn State is one of its kind. What

attracted me was the blend of two cultures and education system. I feel the Penn State course is the best fusion of technology, and Management. Three cheers to VSIT for giving me this unique

experience!" Samarth Upasani, a distinction holder, who was a part of Vidyalankar Penn State Collaboration, is full of praise for Vidyalankar's efforts.

" A huge thank you to Vidyalankar for giving this opportunity to make my future, I have made my parents proud with my placement in Deloitte in USA," says Samarth.

The prospect of leaving the warm comforts of a home land and opting for courses abroad can be truly intimidating. Vidyalankar understands these apprehensions and ensure a smooth journey. The entire two years here before they go abroad is spent in grooming them in a special way by simulating the US educational system. Since the students travel to their chosen destinations in group, there is an added benefit of warmth and sharing. So they move on into the arena of opportunity and growth to achieve global success.

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