# EDC

# **Entrepreneurship Development Cell**



# **Guidelines for the Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC)**

#### Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women

## 1. Objectives

The Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) is established to:

- 1. Promote an entrepreneurial mindset among students and faculty.
- 2. Foster innovation and creativity for entrepreneurial ventures.
- **3.** Provide training, resources, and mentorship for aspiring entrepreneurs.
- **4.** Facilitate networking with industry experts, alumni, and successful entrepreneurs.
- 5. Encourage students to establish start-ups that address societal needs and contribute to economic growth.

#### 2. Structure of the EDC

- **1.** Chairperson: The Principal of the College.
- **2.** Coordinator: A faculty member with experience in entrepreneurship or business management.

#### 3. Members:

- Representatives from various departments.
- Alumni entrepreneurs and industry representatives.
- 4. Student Representatives: Interested and motivated students from different disciplines.

# 3. Responsibilities of the EDC

#### 1. Awareness and Training:

- Conduct workshops, seminars, and guest lectures on entrepreneurship.
- Organize entrepreneurship awareness programs (EAPs) to inspire students.
- Facilitate training in business planning, financial management, and marketing.

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#### 2. Support and Mentorship:

- Provide one-on-one mentorship to students with business ideas.
- Assist in preparing business proposals and pitching to investors.
- Offer guidance on navigating government policies and schemes for start-ups.

#### 3. Networking and Collaboration:

- Establish collaborations with industries, NGOs, and start-up incubators.
- Organize networking events to connect students with successful entrepreneurs and investors.
- Develop alumni relations to leverage their expertise and support.

#### 4. Infrastructure and Resources:

- Provide a dedicated workspace for entrepreneurial activities.
- Maintain a library of resources, including books, case studies, and software.
- Facilitate access to technology and tools required for prototyping and innovation.

#### 5. Competitions and Incubation:

- Organize business plan competitions and hackathons.
- Identify and incubate promising start-up ideas.
- Provide seed funding opportunities or connect students to funding agencies.

#### 6. Research and Innovation:

- Promote research in areas related to entrepreneurship and innovation.
- Encourage students to work on real-world problems and develop marketable solutions.

#### 4. Guidelines for Students

- 1. Students from all disciplines are encouraged to participate in EDC activities.
- 2. Students must actively engage in workshops, training, and events organized by the EDC.
- 3. Business ideas submitted for incubation must adhere to ethical and legal guidelines.

#### 5. Code of Conduct

- 1. Members of the EDC must maintain a collaborative and professional approach.
- 2. Intellectual property developed through EDC activities must be respected and protected.
- 3. Business proposals must align with the mission and values of the College.

#### 6. Funding and Support

- 1. The College will allocate funds annually to support EDC initiatives.
- Students will be guided in accessing government schemes and grants for entrepreneurship.
- 3. Industry sponsorships and partnerships will be explored for funding projects.

## 7. Monitoring and Reporting

- 1. The EDC will maintain records of its activities and achievements.
- 2. An annual report of EDC initiatives will be submitted to the Principal.
- **3.** Feedback from participants and collaborators will be used for continuous improvement.

#### 8. Outcomes

- 1. Increased entrepreneurial ventures initiated by students and alumni.
- 2. Enhanced collaboration between academia and industry.
- 3. Development of self-reliant and innovative graduates who contribute to the community.

These guidelines aim to create a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem at Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women, empowering students to become innovators and leaders in their chosen fields.

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# **Members of the EDC**

1. Chairperson: Dr. E Glitta Sumangali

2. Coordinator: Ms. N Ambika

3. Members:

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o Ms.G Uma Mageshwari

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