Activity Completion Report

Activity Details:

Activity Title: Friendship on the Pitch

Date & Duration of activity (Days): 10 - 11 January 2025

Venue of the Activity: IIHMR University, Jaipur

Event Details & Description:

Introduction

An international delegation from Bryant University, Rhode Island, visited IIHMR University, Jaipur, India, for a cultural and academic. This engagement aimed for collaborative effort to foster cross-cultural understanding, build global connections, and enhance interpersonal relationships between students and faculty members of both the universities. The delegation comprised of following members along with 36 students.

- 1. John F. Eriksen, Senior Director of International Graduate Outreach and Admission
- 2. Professor Ramesh Mohan, Economic Analytics and Visualization/Macroeconomist.
- 3. Professor Leila Zbib, Assistant Professor of Finance and Fintech.
- 4. Robin Warde, Director of Global Alumni, Parent and Constituent Engagement.
- 5. Andrew Kupec, Director of International Admission.
- 6. John Ruppert, Deputy Director of Athletics & Director of International Graduate Outreach and Admission

The two-day program included a formal briefing and an engaging day of campus activities, which were meticulously planned and executed to provide an enriching experience for all participants.

On 10th January 2025 the Bryant University delegation along with faculty and students of IIHMR University was hosted by Dr. Ashok Agarwal, Trustee, IIHMR at his residence for a traditional Indian dinner, allowing the delegation from Bryant University to experience the rich culinary heritage of Rajasthan. Dr. Agrawal shared insights about Indian culture, traditions, and the relevance of IIHMR University's work in global health and management. The students from both institutions engaged in an interactive discussion, sharing their academic backgrounds, aspirations, and expectations for the exchange.

11th January 2025 - Activities at IIHMR University Campus

On the second day, the Bryant University students visited the picturesque IIHMR University campus. The agenda for the day included academic, cultural, and recreational interactions aimed at promoting camaraderie and mutual understanding.

1. Friendly Cricket Match:

The day began with a friendly cricket match on the university grounds. For many Bryant University students, this was their first exposure to the cricket, and IIHMR students enthusiastically guided them through the rules and nuances. The match was a joyful and energetic experience, fostering team spirit and collaboration.

2. Interactive Sessions with Students and Faculty:

The students from both universities participated in informal conversations. They discussed diverse topics ranging from academic pursuits and career goals to cultural similarities and differences. Faculty members from IIHMR University also joined the discussions, providing valuable insights into the Indian education system and global health initiatives.

3. Campus Tour and Networking:

The IIHMR University hosted a guided tour of the state-of-the-art campus, showcasing facilities such as the library, research centres, and academic facilities. This was followed by a networking session where students exchanged contact information and discussed possibilities for future collaborations.

4. Closing Ceremony:

The program concluded with a short closing ceremony, where Dr. P.R. Sodani, President, IIHMR University along with faculty members from both universities expressed their gratitude for the successful execution of the event. Students from Bryant University appreciated the warm hospitality extended by their Indian counterparts and shared how the visit enriched their global perspective.

Conclusion

The two-day engagement between Bryant University and IIHMR University was a resounding success. It provided a platform for academic and cultural exchange, fostering an environment of mutual respect and collaboration. Such initiatives underline the importance of global partnerships in education and serve as a testament to the value of cross-cultural learning in an increasingly interconnected world.

This interaction marks the beginning of a promising relationship between Bryant University and IIHMR University, laying the foundation for future collaborative endeavours.

Budget:

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- 36 Students from Byrant University, Rhode Island, USA
- IIHMRU faculty members, staff and students

• Geotagged Photographs of the activity:













