



Navneet Education Society's

NAVNEET COLLEGE OF COMMERCE & SCIENCE

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Institutional Distinctiveness

Navneet Education Society was established in 1998, with the sole motive of imparting quality higher education to working youth in the city of Mumbai. The two philosophies guiding us are “Vidya Vardhate Rashtram” (Enriching Nation through Education) and “Vidya Dadati Vinayam” (Education gives Humility).

The Society founded Navneet Junior College of Arts, Science and Commerce 2008-09, which was followed by the establishment of Navneet Education Society’s Night Degree College in 2010-11. In the commercial city like Mumbai, most youth start working at a very young age and fail to balance studies and work pressure together. This leads to high dropout rates among youth pursuing higher education. Considering this, the Society founded a night degree college for encouraging such students to complete their higher education with a flexibility of pursuing their degree programmes after their working hours.

The College made a humble beginning in the year 2010-11 with mere one programme (B.Sc.-IT) and 13 students on the roll. Today, the College offers 6 undergraduate and 3 postgraduate programmes with 729 students on roll for the year 2022-23. The Trustees, the Principal and the teachers had to work hard to convince students and their parents to continue their studies along with their job responsibilities. These collective efforts did yield some short-term success in increasing the enrolment ratio across all programmes, but the overall enrolment continued to be far lower than the sanctioned intake. The main reason for the same is the preference of the working students to pursue higher education degree from the Institute of Distance Learning (IDOL) run by the University of Mumbai. The lower enrolment rate in most programmes offered by the College affected the economic viability of the institution and the Trust found it difficult to sustain with meagre economic resources with no philanthropic support from any outside agencies. Therefore, the College management decided to convert the Night Degree College into the regular college with a flexible



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approach for working students. In the year 2019-20, the College sought approval from the government for changing the nomenclature of the College from Navneet Education Society's Night Degree College to Navneet College of Commerce and Science. The evening classes were gradually shifted to morning with flexibility for students to attend classes as per their convenience. The College operates special classes for working students on Sundays and holidays.

The College has robust infrastructure in the heart of the city in the vicinity of the Mumbai Central railway station. At present the College offers the following 6 UG programmes and 3 PG programmes across Arts, Science and Commerce Faculty:

Undergraduate Programmes:

- (1) Bachelor of Science (Information Technology) (B.S.c – IT)
- (2) Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.)
- (3) Bachelor of Management Studies (BMS)
- (4) Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting and Finance) (BAF)
- (5) Bachelor of Arts (Multimedia and Mass Communication) (BAMMC)
- (6) Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)

Postgraduate Programmes:

- (1) Master of Science (Information Technology) (M.S.c – IT)
- (2) Master of Commerce (Accountancy) (M.Com. – Accountancy)
- (3) Master of Commerce (Business Management) (M.Com. – Business Management)

Also in order to cater to the higher educational needs of working youth, the College offers several degree programmes approved by the Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, through distance mode:

- (1) Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.),
- (2) B.A. (Mass Communication and Journalism) and
- (3) Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) programmes



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The College also offers secondary and senior secondary certificate programmes of the National Institute of Open School (NIOS) through distance mode to enable dropped out students to complete their qualifying degree for higher education.

In addition to the programmes offered by the University of Mumbai, the College also offers four Certificate programmes approved by the University of Mumbai and one Diploma programme approved by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University (YCMOU).

- (1) Diploma in Mass Communication and Journalism
- (2) Certificate Course in Management of Retail Business
- (3) Certificate Course in Stock Market Operations
- (4) Certificate Course in Advertising, Sales Promotion and Sales Management
- (5) Certificate Course in Web Designing and Office Automation

In order to match enrolments with the sanctioned intake, the College staff undertakes special drives to convince working students and their parents to complete their studies from the Navneet College. The College teachers provide such students necessary support in completing their higher education, which is reflected in above university average results at the final year. The POs and COs for all programmes have been displayed on the College website and teachers orient students about the same in their introductory lectures.

With the implementation of National Education Policy, 2020 from the A.Y. 2024-25 by the University of Mumbai, the College is all prepared to offer inter-disciplinary and multidisciplinary programmes as per the NEP due to its present offerings in all three streams, viz., Arts, Science and Commerce. The College also proposes to start Research Centre in Commerce and Management as stipulated in its perspective plan. The central location of the College in the heart of the metropolitan city of Mumbai with office of most of the Indian companies and MNCs, banks, office of stock brokers, professionals, etc. offer a good opportunity to the College to offer professional degree, diploma and certificate programmes in collaboration with such units.



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The College has adequate infrastructure for teaching-learning and evaluation. There are a total of 13 classrooms, of which 3 have ICT facilities, 2 Computer Labs with 50 and 40 computers, library with 4263 books, 6 journals and 3 newspapers. The College has subscription to DelNet database, which help students in their field work and research projects. The College has an Auditorium which can accommodate 200 persons and adequate facilities for indoor and outdoor sports within the College premises.

In conclusion, Navneet College of Commerce and Sciences stands as a beacon of dedication to quality education and inclusivity. Established by the Navneet Education Society in 1998, the institution has evolved to meet the unique needs of working youth in Mumbai. Overcoming challenges, the college transitioned from a Night Degree College to the esteemed Navneet College of Commerce and Science. With a comprehensive range of undergraduate and postgraduate programs, the institution empowers students to balance education and work seamlessly. As the college embraces the NEP, 2020, it prepares to offer interdisciplinary programs and establish a Research Centre in Commerce and Management. The central location in Mumbai provides a fertile ground for collaboration with industry, ensuring practical and relevant education.