CHART OUT YOUR FUTURE COURSE OF ACTION

PANDIT DEENDAYAL PETROLEUM UNIVERSITY

School of Liberal Studies
To be an internationally renowned and respected institution imparting excellent education and training based upon the foundation of futuristic research and innovations.

MISSION

To free the mind and allow it to explore the undefined boundaries of liberated thinking...

To allow the intellectual spirit to take over and allow it to course its way through multiple disciplines and provide fresh lines of perception.

To lend a bit of art to science and a bit of science to art...

to bridge existing divides of conventional wisdom...

to foster independence...

to transform and to endow society with the benefits of a novel education...

The School of Liberal Studies simply conforms...
Liberal Studies is a multi-faceted discipline in its offerings and emphasizes integrated development in teaching, experiential learning and overall grooming of the students in the areas of leadership, teamwork, communication skills, critical thinking and becoming a responsible global citizen.

While the term liberal studies may seem very new, it is said to have been taught since the time of renaissance where students were exposed to a whole range of subjects to promote inter-disciplinary interaction and permeability. In fact, it has been taught in world-renowned universities of North America and Europe for over 100 years on the same campus alongside Engineering and Management to provide interdisciplinary learning opportunity to students. Some eminent liberal arts graduates are Barack Obama, Hilary Clinton, Harrison Ford and Kofi Annan to name a few.

School of Liberal Studies

Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University launched School of Liberal Studies in August 2009, offering a four year B.A. (Hons.) / B.B.A. (Hons.) programme. This unique course equips students to develop an array of intellectual skills, a variety of methodologies or ways of understanding our dynamic world through a wide number of subjects.

In turn, liberal education establishes an invaluable foundation for more specialized study in one’s major or desired profession, and for a life-long affinity for learning and continuing intellectual development.

This course imparts education in various fields like Art, Literature, Languages, Music, Dramatics, Philosophy, Politics, History, Law, Mathematics, Science and General Studies.

It emphasizes the need to seek knowledge for knowledge’s sake, promoting intellectual growth, creative expression and rational thought.
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Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU) has already established itself as a provider of world-class education in Oil & Gas and Allied Energy Sectors. PDPU realizes the global requirement of producing young leaders with inquisitiveness and passion for knowledge and wisdom.

The present day industry and business and for that matter, the entire spectrum of human endeavours are on the lookout for a generation of young people who are not only enlightened but also trained to think innovatively and boldly. They are expected to be capable of meeting tough challenges and creating opportunities in undefined arenas for career motivation and societal concerns.

With this focus in mind, we welcome the fourth batch of School of Liberal Studies. The School with its advanced academic structure and innovative approach will enable students to participate in a programme that recognizes differences in individual capabilities, preferences in terms of acquiring various skills and competencies, understanding parameters of a dignified quality of life and seek to achieve the same through intellectual self-propelled pursuits.

I am sure that the School has the vision, wherewithal and collective wisdom to achieve the enshrined goals through dynamic, participative and scholarly pedagogic inputs as well as collaborative deployment of professionals of high repute and calibre. The University has to be a cradle of innovations and experimentation. The concept of Liberal Studies provides the evidence of such preparedness and boldness on the part of Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University.

I offer my best wishes to the School of Liberal Studies.
Greetings to all partners in innovative venture of teaching-learning. The School of Liberal Studies (SLS), Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU), is all set to chart a new era in the domain of Higher Education in India.

With special emphasis on communication skills, analytical ability, problem solving skills and hands-on experience to skills of modern workplaces, SLS at PDPU will create future leaders with vision and high ethical standards. Our dynamic and committed faculty profess an innovative approach to course-delivery to complement the aspirations of the enthusiastic and talented youth of India.

With industry demand for the skilled people with multi-disciplinary approach at an all time high, SLS will play a pivotal role in meeting this demand. I welcome you to the ever growing family of PDPU. Wishing you a vibrant academic life and a promising career.

Welcome to the world of creativity and original thinking. By deciding to join the talented pool of ‘generation next’, you have already expressed your desire to do things ‘differently’. The quest for knowledge and wisdom is always challenging. It requires aptitude and determination to reach the destination. School of Liberal Studies would be the catalyst to allow the undiscovered talents hidden in each individual to manifest themselves. Successful completion of an experiential, participative and innovative three years have further motivated us to enhance the qualitative content of the course.

The ‘breadth’ and ‘depth’ of courses offered at SLS will enable you to understand your own potential and equip you with the knowledge and skills the world requires today. The experiential teaching-learning pedagogy would expose you to the best practices prevalent in the world. I invite you to bring in a breath of fresh air of enthusiasm and creativity on the campus. Let us form a responsible and reliable team. India expects a lot from us all.

May the almighty guide and direct us all on our journey to discover the ‘unexplored’.
Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University was established in 2007 by an Act of Gujarat State Legislature.

PDPU started on a 52 acre campus in Gandhinagar and has expanded to around 100 acres of land.

The University addresses the needs for trained and specialized human resources for Energy Industry across the globe.

PDPU intends to expand the opportunities for students and professionals to develop an intellectual knowledge base with leadership skills to compete in the global arena. This objective is being addressed through a number of specialized and well-planned undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral energy education programmes and intensive research initiatives.

A Research-led University, PDPU intends to produce high quality Managers, Scientists, Engineers, Technologists, Innovators, and Entrepreneurs.

The academic emphasis of the University is on the use of sound fundamentals in science, technology and management as well as economic and environmental considerations, to address a variety of technological, economic, managerial, and knowledge-based innovative issues, thereby comprehensively enhancing the quality of life.
School of Petroleum Technology offers Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctoral Programmes.

The School offers:
- 4 year B.Tech in Petroleum Engineering
- 2 year M.Tech in Petroleum Engineering
- Ph.D Programme in Petroleum Engineering

School of Technology offers Undergraduate Programmes in Engineering and Technology.

The School offers:
- 4 year B.Tech in Civil, Electrical, Industrial and Mechanical Engineering.

School of Petroleum Management offers Postgraduate and Executive Programmes.

The School offers:
- 2 year MBA programme focused on Energy & Infrastructure Sector
- PGDPM-X for working executives in Energy & Infrastructure Sector
- Ph.D Programme in Petroleum Management

School of Solar Energy offers Postgraduate and Doctoral Programmes dedicated to research in the field of Solar Energy.

The School offers:
- M.Tech Programme in Energy Systems & Technology
- Ph.D Programme in Solar Energy

Other Schools @ PDPU
Objective

- To encourage creative thinking and ability to see things as a whole. Critical moments in life require ability to think out-of-the-box, to perceive a situation in toto and imaginatively find out solutions
- To serve as a catalyst and instill a desire for innovativeness in order to nurture disciplined yet creative habits of the mind
- To encourage experience of pleasure while doing research in a field for which one has passion and to transfer this sense of freedom from the ‘School to the Society’
- To foster scholarly teaching-learning culture based on reflective and creative independence
- To participate with industry, government, other academic institutes and NGOs and create new opportunities for internship programs
- To provide a comprehensive mix of academic programs and research projects to strengthen inter-disciplinary understanding

Philosophy

School of Liberal Studies focuses on developing holistic personalities who are governed by the spirit of academic inquisitiveness and perseverance to positively impact the nation in a particular and the world in general.

We provide education that is:

- Collaborative, interactive and interdisciplinary
- Extensively designed to provide rich breadth of courses
- Research oriented
- Designed to challenge the creativity and imagination of students
- Designed to cultivate atmosphere of tolerance, multi-cultural understanding and appreciation for the beauty of arts and culture

Values

The School imparts following values through real time experiences in:

- Multi-culture / multi-religion tolerance
- Respect for tradition and beautiful products of art
- Political awareness
- Respect for all constituents of the society
- Zeal for independent learning
- Environmental concerns
- Community spirit
In order to develop well-rounded and responsible future leaders, PDPU has introduced an innovative undergraduate course of B.A. (Hons.) or B.B.A. (Hons.) with a PDPU Diploma in Liberal Arts. The duration of this course is four years.

School of Liberal Studies gives full exposure to students by offering a wide range of inter-disciplinary subjects such as Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, History, Economics, and Political Science etc.

The Undergraduate Programme enables students to participate in research initiatives and its uniquely creative pedagogy to develop their analytical and critical skills.

The Undergraduate Programme consists of eight semesters.

Students at SLS will study General Education from semester one to four which will be common for all students and minimum credit requirement is of 90 credit points.

At the end of the fourth semester students can opt for major and minor subjects according to their interests and aspirations.

The major and minor programmes attract students who wish to explore the most intellectually engaging and promising interdisciplinary fields under the direction of scholars who are pioneers in charting these new areas and methods of inquiry.

The University has been and continues to be an incubator for new ideas combining experimental programmes and courses with a curriculum designed to promote the ideals of an education in liberal arts.
## Course Structure

### The Pedagogical Advantage
- Lecture Discussion
- Case Study
- Group Discussions and Presentations
- Research-based Projects
- Role Play
- Experience Sharing
- Workshops for improving Life and Social Skills
- Participation in Sports and other activities

### Majors
A ‘Major’ is the subject chosen by students at the end of the fourth semester. A student has to fulfill credit requirements before selecting a Major.

**Majors Offered:**
- Business Administration
- Economics
- English Literature
- Environmental Studies
- Governance & Public Administration
- International Relations

Minimum credit requirement is 60 credits.

### Minors
A ‘Minor’ is a subject of secondary specialization that is to be chosen by a student after the fourth semester.

Minimum credit requirement is of 30 credits.

### B.A. (Hons.)
- Economics
- Environmental Studies
- Psychology
- English Literature
- Governance & Public Administration
- International Relations

### B.B.A. (Hons.)
- Marketing
- HR
- Finance

### M.A.
- Public Administration
- International Relations
- English Literature

### Semester 1 (General Education)
- English Communication
- Science in Everyday Life
- Basic Mathematics
- Introduction to Computer Science
- Understanding Theatrical Arts
- Foreign Language: 1
- Leadership

### Semester 2 (General Education)
- Basic Economics
- Introduction to World Civilizations
- Theories of Mass Communication
- General Psychology
- Musical Styles and Ideas/Folk Dances/Painting Event Management
- Foreign Language: 2
- Geography

### Semester 3
**Core Papers**
- World Classics
- Principles of Management
- Introduction to Environmental Studies
- Sports
- Foreign Language - 3
- Introduction to International Relations
- Industrial Psychology

**Electives**
- Films and Society
- Workplace Communication
- Basics of Accounting
- Atmospheric Sciences
- Cognitive Psychology
- Indian Governance and Politics
- Event Management

### Semester 4
**Core Papers**
- Foreign Language - 4
- Principles of Public Administration
- Basics of Indian Foreign Policy
- Exploration of Literary Forms
- Economic Thoughts
- Principles of Marketing
- Introduction to Environmental Laws

**Electives**
- Statistics
- Rural Development in India
- Soft Skills
- Stress Management
- Programming through C Language
Audit Courses
Certified courses in Yoga, Sports, Community Service and Personal & Social Skills are offered as an on-going activity in the programme. Certified courses do not hold any credits but are mandatory for every student.

Research Project
Students need to complete a research project worth six credits. This project will be undertaken during the third and fourth year of the course. It will involve selection of a topic that is inter-disciplinary in nature, but is connected in some way to the students’ major or minor field of study.

Indian Culture
This programme is offered to students after the second semester. It is designed to help students learn about the heritage and culture of India.

World Cultures
This programme is offered from the fifth semester onwards and is designed to give the students international exposure. Each project would be expected to contain deliverables in creative form.
Majors & Minors

**English Literature**

**Core Papers**
- American Literature
- Literary Criticism
- Indian English Literature
- British Literature

**Minor Cluster - 1**

**Corporate Communication**
- Organized Communication
- Ethics of Corporate Communication
- Publicity Writing & Branding
- Internal & External Corporate Communication

**Minor Cluster - 2**

**Writing Cluster**
- Business Writing
- Creative Writing
- Editing & Proof Reading
- Writing for Media

**Minor Cluster - 3**

**Literature Cluster**
- Literature of the Diaspora
- Literature in Translations
- Gender Studies
- History of English Literature

**Governance & Public Administration**

**Core Cluster - 1**

**Public Admin Theory**
- Bureaucracy & Organization
- Personnel Administration in India
- Comparative Administration System
- Rural & Urban Local Governance in India

**Core Cluster - 2**

**Public Policy & Governance**
- ICT & E-Governance
- Environmental Policy Analysis Administration
- Crisis & Disaster Management Policies
- Public Policies, Government & Governance

**Minor**
- Administrative Principles & Theories
- Structure & Processes of Indian Administration
- Public Policy Making in India
- Financial Administration

**Psychology**

**Core Papers**
- Research Methodology & Statistics
- Psychological Testing
- Biological Bases of Behaviour
- Experimental Psychology

**Minor**
- Applied Psychology
- Psychopathology
- Social Psychology
- Psychology of Human Development

**Environmental Studies**

**Core Papers**
- Energy Resources & Management
- Bio Resources & Management
- Water & Land Resources Conservation Management
- Industrial Ecology & Preventive Management

**Minor**
- Institutional & Financial Mechanisms for Environmental Management
- Global Conventions/ Protocols and International Environmental Cooperation
- Principles and Practice of Environmental Policy & Planning
- Environmental Ethics & Leadership

**Business Administration**

**Core Papers**
- Management Information System
- Business Research Methods
- Management Process and OB
- Business Environment

**Minor**
- Financial Management
- Productions & Operations Management
- Strategic Marketing
- Business Ethics and CSR

**International Relations**

**Core Papers**
- Theories & Approaches of IR
- Political Geography
- Approaches to International & Regional Organizations
- International Political Economy

**Minor**
- Comparative Constitutions & Politics - 1
- Comparative Constitutions & Politics - 2
- Indian & the World
- Energy Politics

**Economics**

**Core Papers**
- Micro Economics
- Macro Economics
- Introduction to Econometrics
- International Economics

**Minor**
- Money, Banking & Public Finance
- Indian Financial System
- Development & Environmental Economics
- Indian Economy
Rural Internships

In a developing nation like India, cities are getting saturated rapidly in many ways and the role of administrative machinery is to focus on rural areas for development.

In this regard, it has become mandatory to know and understand rural life and its demography. Therefore, PDPU has introduced Rural Internship for SLS students to develop greater understanding of rural India and participate in its development.

Objectives:
- To strengthen understanding of concepts related to rural development with specific reference to the Indian context
- To provide exposure to grass root realities, in the rural setting, with a focus on participation in interventions by NGOs
- To strengthen insights and develop skills on participatory methodologies and tools used in rural development
- To understand and appreciate broader contexts of other stakeholders, like government agencies, donors and local self governance institutions, while participating in existing field projects
- To facilitate cross-cultural learning on development issues as well as other areas of inter-personal growth and learning

Urban Internships

The Urban Internship project at SLS enables students to inculcate urban development skills to address various urban issues like Urban Management, Good Governance, Legal Framework, Financial Management and implementation of Urban Planning and Civic Projects in conjunction with civic bodies.

Objectives:
- To sensitize students to the functioning, maintenance, and upkeep of urban centres in the country
- Expose students to the functioning of the municipal corporations
- Allow students to explore managerial and organisational skills
- Facilitate interaction between students and senior officials in corporations

Corporate Internships

2009-10
- Better We (Psychiatric Clinic)
- Bhaskracharya Institute of Space Applications & Geoinformatics (BISAG), Gandhinagar
- Mahindra & Mahindra, Chennai

2010-11
- Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Ltd.
- Mother Dairy
- BorgWarner Cooling Systems India Pvt. Ltd.
- GSPC HR Department
- Gagarpur Pvt Ltd.
- ONGC

2011-12
- Hi-Bond Cement-Rajkot
- Hats Off Production, Mumbai
- Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat (KCG), Gandhinagar
- Schneider Electric, Vadodara
- Vicharata Samuday Samarthan Manch, Ahmedabad
- Tata Global Beverages Ltd, Bangalore
- Centre for Environment Education (CEE), Ahmedabad

2012-13
- DUKE TIP @ Infosys, Mysore
- Tata Docomo
- Divya Bhaskar
- Savaera (NGO)
- Tata Beverages
- DRDO - DIPR
- Equirus Capital
- Astitva Psychology Clinic
- Randstad
- Perfect Relations (PR Firm)
- Dalai Lama Fellowship
- Gujarat Forensic Sciences University
- Infoanalytica
- IISER (Institute of Scientific and Educational Research)
- Times of India
Potential employers seek specialized skills and qualifications that suit a particular job profile. Obviously, these skills will vary depending on the job description.

However, there are specific skill requirements that employers tend to cite across all disciplines for most jobs. These skills are useful in practically any job profile one might opt for.

Listed below are some skills one can expect to possess as a result of an education in liberal studies.

**Skills Acquired Through a Bachelor Degree from The School of Liberal Studies**

**Communication**
- The ability to communicate effectively with individuals and groups
- The ability to use various forms and styles of written communication

**Critical Thinking**
- The ability to quickly and accurately identify critical issues when making a decision or solving a problem
- The ability to analyse the inter-relationships of events and ideas from various perspectives

**Human Relations and Inter-personal Dynamics**
- The ability to generate and maintain group cooperation and support
- The ability to interact effectively with peers, superiors, and subordinates

**Leadership and Management**
- The ability to motivate and lead people
- The ability to organize people and tasks to achieve specific goals

**Research and Investigation**
- The ability to identify problems and needs
- The ability to identify information sources for special needs or problems

**Information Management**
- The ability to synthesize facts, concepts and principles
- The ability to evaluate information against standards

**Design and Planning**
- The ability to identify alternative courses of action
- The ability to predict future trends and patterns

**Personal / Career Development & Learning**
- The ability to identify one’s values, beliefs, strengths and weaknesses
- The ability to accept and learn from criticism
Career Possibilities for a School of Liberal Studies Graduate

Graduates from School of Liberal Studies, PDPU, will have their degrees as follows:

- B.A. (Hons.) IN ECONOMICS
- B.A. (Hons.) IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
- B.A. (Hons.) IN ENGLISH LITERATURE
- B.A. (Hons.) IN GOVERNANCE & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- B.A. (Hons.) IN PSYCHOLOGY
- B.A. (Hons.) IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
- B.B.A. (Hons.) IN MARKETING/HR /FINANCE

The students will concurrently be awarded a PDPU Diploma in Liberal Arts.

Thus, SLS graduates will have multiple career options. While we expect some students to opt for post-graduate courses after graduating from SLS, we believe some will take up entrepreneurial ventures and the rest can expect a professional career in any of the fields mentioned below:

- Mass Communications & Journalism
- Advertising/Public Relations
- Business Analysis
- Consulting
- Creative Writing
- Economic Analysis
- Environmental Affairs
- Film and Television
- Human Resources
- International Business
- Library & Information Science
- Political Analysis
- Public Administration
- Non-Government Organizations
- Teaching
- Technical Writing
- Tourism Management
- Sports Psychology & Management
- Publishing
- Analytical
- Human Resources
- Technical Writing

All of these and more can contribute towards well-rounded and forward thinking students. This not only helps the students to see and achieve things at hand, but look beyond them and make decisions based on the big picture. Liberal Studies gives the tools to create a well-rounded view of your world and the lessons that the students learn from it.

An education in Liberal Studies prepares students to assume positions of leadership and to be flexible in the marketplace. They may acquire specific job skills while in the school or after they graduate, but with a solid education in liberal studies, students are not limited to a particular niche, but prepared for a wide range of opportunities for the rest of their lives.

A broad-based liberal studies education does more than prepare the students for a job. It lays the foundation for a future career and also prepares a student to succeed in the corporate world.

Employers realize that a degree in Liberal Studies prepares students to be involved in the process of learning and build their leadership skills, whether internally in their capabilities or sharing wealth of knowledge with others. Liberal Studies gives students tools beyond mere textbook information. What is learned from tutorials of discussion, debate, controversy, presentations, assignments and critical thinking, prepare one for the world ahead. It is this, a liberal studies education that lends itself more tools than an employer can pass up.
The School of Liberal Studies believes that its reputation owes much to the outstanding calibre of its faculty. The School is in the process of building a world-class intellectual community of distinguished and dedicated faculty who will promote learning and knowledge - building of a very high order. The School endeavours to create an environment of considerable academic freedom and research opportunity overlaid by meticulous, self-monitored standards of excellence and socially responsive practices.

We sincerely see that the faculty willingly submit themselves to distinctive, open and incessant process of assessment and feedback from the students. This will enable the faculty to refine course contents, teaching and delivery mechanisms.

By way of structured mechanisms, the faculty plays an active role in the faculty-shared governance with a complete sense of belonging to the School of Liberal Studies.

The School also recognizes that research provides a major interface with the wider academia and industry and brings in international visibility. It provides new conceptual frameworks that enable reassessment and refinement of current practices and thinking. Pioneering inter-disciplinary research by the faculty feeds directly into a better learning environment at the School, fostering creativity and innovations indirectly to a wider audience.
The student clubs at School of Liberal Studies have been set up to enhance the overall learning experience of students, both inside and outside of the classroom. The main aim of the Student Clubs are to encourage participative learning and develop team-work among students with support from the Co-ordinator of Academic Affairs (COAA) at PDPU.

Opportunities are created for students to enhance their skills, leadership development, inter-personal skill development and personal growth. The faculty members also make sure that students take advantage of such opportunities and support them in every possible way.

**Music Club**
PDPU has its own band where talented students perform on various instruments. Genres like rock, heavy metal, pop and country fuse with indian classical and light vocal. The club has exceptionally talented students eager to share their expertise with new students. Hindi film songs or Ghazals make evenings lively and melodious on the campus. Even the communication laboratory sessions encourage students to listen to different genres of music and learn with entertainment.

**Let’s Express - A Debate Club**
Let’s Express is a students’ forum at PDPU, which actively encourages intellectual and creative interaction. Intellectual freedom is realized by being vocal about compounding problems of the society. Here, intellectual differences lead to the pursuit of knowledge.

The forum provides a competitive environment to the students where they can enhance their communication and public speaking skills. Every month debate competitions are arranged and intellectual resources are built.
Publication Club
Creativity is nurtured in all student clubs of PDPU. Publication Club at PDPU is responsible for University magazine ‘Aayam’ and wall magazine. It also arranges workshops on creative writing and drawing. Drop in to participate in activities like poetry recitation and listen to budding poets making lively recitations of their poems.

Spicmacay
Spicmacay at PDPU is a chapter of the Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music And Culture Amongst Youth. Its activities foster traditional Indian values and sensitize students to the rich cultural heritage of India. Its activities include concerts, lectures, demonstrations, and seminars.

E-Books Club
With reading becoming more and more dependent on electronic sources, PDPU E-Books Club facilitates reading of your favourite novels, comics and academic books in soft copies which you can read at your convenience. The club also proposes to promote activities like discussion on the book of the month, painting a scene from the book of the month or inviting writers to discuss about the process of creation. With E-Books Club, literature is just a click away!

E-Sports Club
POPU recognizes the Generation next’s interest in E-sports and encourages the same. Students share their talent and knowledge of E-sports in games like Arcade, CS, FIFA, Quake, Racing Games, Puzzles and Chess. PDPU organizes E-Sports events annually and students also go to inter-college competitions.

Student Clubs

Robotics Club
The Robotics Club endeavours to provide a platform for learning about hardware, electronics, fabrication and programming for robotics and its application in industry. The club exposes students to latest automation techniques prevalent in the engineering sector.

Sports Club
The mission of the Sports Club is to develop, sustain and offer excellent sporting facilities and events to all stakeholders of the university. With state-of-the-art Wellness Centre, Meditation Centre, excellent sporting grounds for games like football, volleyball, basketball and cricket - PDPU Sports Club offers gateways to explore hidden talent for sports. The university is actively dedicated to develop a hockey ground, a multi-purpose stadium, swimming pool and facilities for athletics. All facilities are accessible to all students. Indoor games like chess, badminton, table-tennis and carrom are also included in the the main activities of the Sports Club. The university is eager to sponsor and facilitate sports persons for participation in national and international sporting events.
Dramatics Club
PDPU Dramatics Club is an opportunity to discover your talent for theatrical activities. The club proposes events for cultivating different skills like script writing, dialogue-delivery, acting, stagecraft and costume designing. Various genres like drama, skit, one-act play, mime, street play, folk-drama and docudrama are practiced. Students also accompany faculty for national - international seminars on drama and complement research presentations with live enactment.

The dramatics club also participates in inter-college / university events and brings glory to PDPU. Time and again, discussions, film-viewing and role-play are arranged from drama classics. At PDPU, literature is not limited to the class rooms, it is brought to life through the Dramatics Club.

VGA
Video Graphics Association is a unique club which is active in creating short movies and documentaries on relevant themes. Be it a counselling movie for PDPU or a documentary on ‘Summer Rural Internship’, PDPU students leave an impact on the community. VGA students have created documentaries on ‘Save the Girl Child’ theme, ‘Wake Up India’ initiative and ‘Friendship’. By attending workshops on cinematography or videography, these students sharpen their knowledge and in turn, leave the legacy of their skills to new students. The VGA also proposes to create academic movies in collaboration with faculty.

Greek Life
Greek life at PDPU stands for fraternity and solidarity. PDPU students come from various cultural backgrounds and are multi-lingual. The motto of the university is to create ‘en masse’ identity. By embracing all, irrespective of class, caste, colour or creed, solidarity is established.

While there may be positive and constructive differences, common values are respected. Whether in the class rooms or outside, all students are united in thought, word and action. Students have a strong sense of ‘ownership’ of the university and by respecting the values of Greek Life, they become accountable. Students serve as a bond between alumni, parents, industry, society and the university. By experiencing the Greek Life at PDPU a student becomes a global student.
Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University has collaborated with various reputed universities across the globe. The University provides international opportunities to students & members of the faculty for exchange of knowledge between the universities. The collaborations enable the University to provide international exposure to students by developing joint research projects as well as long term and short term courses at these reputed universities.
Infrastructure

**Academic Infrastructure**

This is reflected in our academic programmes, quality of our faculty, excellent facilities and infrastructure, co-curricular activities, and continuous industry interactions to produce a holistic education with sound fundamental knowledge, practical application and intense exposure to industrial practices that provide a unique academic experience.

Our emphasis is on unceasing enquiry, clear reasoning and critical thinking to produce a wonderful pool of trained talent who can emerge as innovators, researchers, and leaders in the near future.

**Library and Information Centre**

Library and Information Centre is the heart of the school and aims to provide the ideal ambience for creation & dissemination of knowledge, information, insights and intellect in all its academic programmes. The centre has utilized Information Technology extensively to ensure that resources are accessible from anywhere at anytime.

The Library holds a collection of printed as well as electronic resources which include books, journals, databases, CDs/DVDs, e-journals, reports, case studies, conference proceedings, and training manuals, etc.

Services such as OPAC for checking online availability and reserving online, remote access to e-resources and databases make the ILIC user friendly. The library has been automated using Alice for Windows (AFW), an international user-friendly library package. The software facilitates automated circulation (issue-return) of books and speedy access to bibliographic, location and availability information of the books in the library. The catalogue is available on the Internet for inquiring about books. PDPU library also subscribes to Online Databases viz. EBSCO: Business Source Elite and CMIE: Prowess.
Hostel
Our in-campus Residential Facilities offer furnished hostel rooms on a sharing basis. Limited accommodation is available for girl students. There are seven fully functional hostel blocks which are Wi-Fi enabled and are well designed to meet the needs of the students. These include emergency medical facilities, a doctor on call, 24x7 access to computer labs and a well equipped and comfortable lounge to facilitate group activities.

The University facilitates a holistic learning environment and encourages students to actively participate in recreational and extra curricular activities to enrich one’s personality and soften the rigours of a strict academic discipline.

While outdoor and indoor sports keep the students physically fit, a number of student initiatives provide mental and creative stimulation. These include debate, quiz, photography and a video graphics association which has been very well received by the students on campus.

Wellness Centre
A nutritious diet and a good workout helps students to combat academic stress.

PDPU has set up a state-of-the-art wellness centre which offers cardio & weight training equipment and helps students workout under the expert supervision of a certified trainer. The wellness centre can look after the needs of more than 50 students per session and is functional throughout the day.

As part of its wellness initiative, the university also provides an open ground for outdoor games, such as football and cricket, as well as practice courts for basketball, volleyball and badminton.

Cafeteria & Food Court
The University has ensured that the students enjoy a healthy diet charted out by a dietitian which is wholesome and nutritious.

The food court also provides refreshments throughout the day. The cafeteria is attractively laid out and offers students an eco-friendly environment to relax while deliberating on their academic challenges.
Gandhinagar

An Ideal Setting for Learning & Knowledge

Gandhinagar, Gujarat’s capital city, rises on the west bank of the Sabarmati River, about 30km North-East of Ahmedabad, the commercial and cultural heart of Gujarat.

Gandhinagar presents a spacious, well-organized look of an architecturally integrated city, with an international airport and railway connectivity. There are wide-open parks, extensive plantations and a large recreational area along the river giving the city a lush green garden-city atmosphere.

In recent years, Gandhinagar has emerged as a major educational hub with a number of nationally acclaimed education & research institutes facilitating a spread of undergraduate, post graduate and research programs. This environment could prove to be a critical resource for the School of Liberal Studies in its effort to deliver a uniquely diverse educational initiative.

Some of the Institutes in and around Gandhinagar are:

- School of Architecture
- Centre For Environmental, Planning & Technology (CEPT)
- National Institute of Fashion Technology
- Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology (DA-IICT)
- Institute of Hotel Management
- Indian Institute of Management (IIM)
- Gujarat National Law University
- Nirma Institute of Management
- Mudra Institute of Communications (MICA)
- Physical Research Laboratory (PRL)
- National Institute of Design (NID)
- Sristi - Society for Research & Initiatives for Sustainable Technologies & Institutions

... to name a few
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