

BASELIUS COLLEGE, KOTTAYAM

ACADEMIC AUDIT

Year under purview: 2015-16

REPORT

Date of visit- 25th July and 26th July, 2016

Criterion I: Curricular Aspects	
Curricular Planning and Implementation	Basic curriculum for the entire academic programmes is fixed by the university. Many teachers of the college are involved in the curriculum revision process of the University. There need more involvement
Academic Flexibility	Teachers are involved in the internal assessment programme and thus academic flexibility is achieved to the maximum extent possible
Curriculum Enrichment	Teachers can enrich the prescribed curriculum by contextual and timely incorporation of the required content, which they need to follow quite systematically; need to enjoy the possibilities.
Feedback System	Feedback of the curricular aspects is meaningful only when teachers enrich the syllabus and get involved in imparting the same in a quite transparent way; feedback of curricular aspects needs to be improved.
Criterion II: Teaching—Learning and Evaluation	
Student Enrolment and Profile	Very good
Catering to Student Diversity	Good
Teaching-Learning Process	Need improvement by incorporating collaborative learning in an organized manner
Teacher Quality	In general the teacher quality of the college is quite good; however teachers without Ph D need to register for the same at the earliest. There should be more participation in international/national conferences conducted outside the state/country
Evaluation Process and Reforms	Quite good; but can be improved by more critical and innovative approaches including peer evaluations.
Student Performance and Learning Outcomes	Need thorough improvement
Criterion III: Research, Consultancy and Extension	
Promotion of Research	Many teachers have taken up minor research projects but none of them have taken up major projects. All teachers should get involved in quality research
Resource Mobilization for Research	Departments should focus on funding for general support from the KCSTE/UGC/DST and other agencies and teachers need to mobilize funds by submitting research projects
Research Facilities	Basic infrastructure facilities are available; however more space and other amenities need to be provided for meritorious teachers to conduct good quality research; all the qualified teachers shall apply for Research Guideship




Research Publications and Awards	Total number of research publications are quite few; all teachers are expected to publish, at least one review article in a peer reviewed journal
Consultancy	Consultancy is found only in the Mathematics Department in statistical analysis
Extension Activities and Institutional Social Responsibility	Most of the departments are involved in charitable activities; however quite innovative extension activities may be designed in all departments
Collaboration	Collaboration is quite absent; however, teachers need to find opportunities for research collaborations with other institutions

Criterion IV: Infrastructure and Learning Resources	
Physical Facilities	Quite good in all departments
Library as a Learning Resource	All the departments maintain own libraries; however, teachers should take special care in more use of books by students. The general library is quite clean, but need more additions of books and journals.
IT Infrastructure	Quite good
Maintenance of Campus Facilities	Quite good
Criterion V: Student Support and Progression	
Student Mentoring and Support	Student mentoring need to be improved
Student Progression	Need improvement
Student Participation and Activities	Quite good
Criterion VI: Governance, Leadership and Management	
Institutional Vision and Leadership	The general vision and mission of the institution is quite good; but individual departments need to focus more on their specific vision and mission
Strategy Development and Deployment	Top level strategy and deployment are found quite good
Faculty Empowerment Strategies	Quite good
Financial Management and Resource Mobilization	Quite good
Internal Quality Assurance System	Excellent
Criterion VII: Innovations and Best Practices	
Environment Consciousness	Good
Innovations	Need to be focused
Best Practices	Need to identify and practice the same in a better way
SWOT	
Strengths	Dynamic and efficient leadership with sincerity; young qualified teachers
Weaknesses	Poor academic result and research culture
Opportunities	Fund mobilization through submission of research projects and better academic

	programmes
Threats	Severe academic competition; limited space in a congested town

Recommendations	
1.	It is highly disheartening to note that in the last academic year, the BA/B Sc and MA/M Sc results of your departments have terribly gone down to less than 50% except in the Department of chemistry where it was above 60%. Therefore, the college needs to address this issue very seriously. However, the B Com and M Com programmes in the aided stream have maintained more than 80% pass, which is highly commendable.
2.	Even though there are many faculties of the college are having doctorate degrees, research output in terms of peer reviewed publications remains quite meager. However, very few good quality publications are produced by certain teachers.
3.	Many of the qualified teachers have not yet applied for research guideship
4.	It is quite embarrassing to note that none of the teachers in this college is running a major research project, especially when the funding agencies such as the UGC is so liberal in providing grants for research
5.	There is ample opportunity for teachers in the enrichment of curriculum prescribed by the university in an affiliating system. It is true that all the teachers are personally enriching the curriculum; the departments need to systematize the process in an organized way.
6.	It is true that you have a quite clean and good library to enrich academic life in the campus. However, the new additions to the library in the last academic year were insufficient; the library needs not only more space and technological up-gradation, but they should add certain very significant periodicals and journals to improve its quality

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