

7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness

Union Christian College is a Higher Education Centre which is committed to providing education that facilitates the growth of the whole person and brings out the best in every student. With its unique history and cherished values, the College strives to live out its commitments by its strategic initiatives. The Institution stands as a pioneer in the field of higher education for the last ten decades fostering quality of education, equity, social inclusion and humanism. The distinctive features of the Institution are the following.

- a) The Institution focuses on the foundations of interdenominational management, participatory form of administration based on Christian Fellowship, cosmopolitan and secular ethos, Christian and humanistic values.
- b) The Institution functions through a participatory form of administration and the key positions of the Manager, Principal, and Bursar of the College are selected from among the faculty through a democratic and transparent system.
- c) All academic and disciplinary matters are discussed and decisions are taken in the Staff Council of the College headed by the Principal, Heads of each department and two elected members from the faculty.
- d) The Inter-church fellowship is constituted by teaching faculty belonging to four different congregations which takes an active role in Institutional governance.
- e) The Institution largely focuses on academic excellence of students, promotion of knowledge acquisition and enhancing quality of research.
- f) The college offers a simple campus life, with various clubs and societies that provide for maximum student-teacher interaction and promote the innate interests and skills of students, and a green and lush campus with ample bio-diversity.
- g) The college strives to do all that it can to provide a safe, inclusive and free environment for students to find and express themselves, and create their own niche in life.

7.3.1 Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust within 200 words

The Institution takes every step towards enhancing acquisition of knowledge and utilizes the experience and expertise of its former faculty members and distinguished alumni in organizing erudite lectures. With this intention in mind, the Department of History has launched the programme named “Revisit Lecture Series” wherein the revisitor (former faculty or alumni) shares the perspective departures that they have made through their studies and other academic activities after leaving this institution for the benefit of the present faculty and students. The programme which was launched in 2016 continues to be a successful event with a handful of experts as speakers delivering lectures in each session.

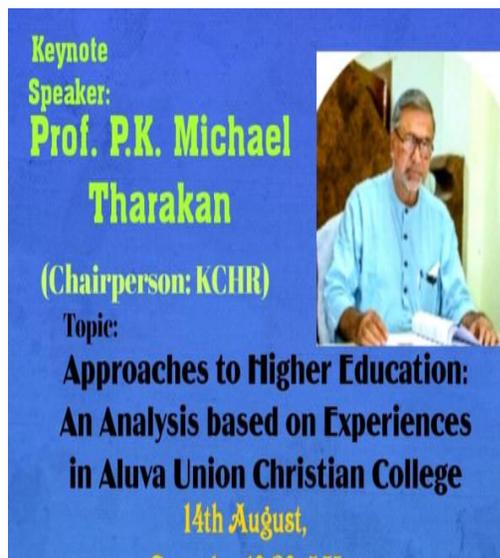
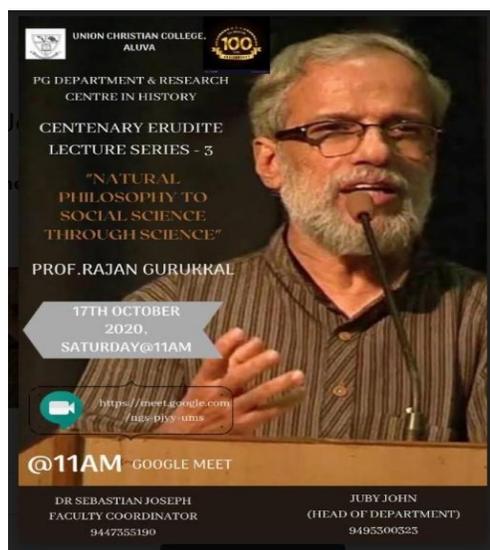
[\(https://uccollege.edu.in/news/department-of-history-initiates-revisit/\)](https://uccollege.edu.in/news/department-of-history-initiates-revisit/)

Similar initiative was taken by the Department of Psychology to make use of the potentials of its rich alumni, including Practicing Psychologists, and Academicians as resource persons for webinars. The Department also holds the tradition of inviting distinguished alumni every year as resource persons for the Annual National Seminar (Dr. V. K. Alexander Memorial Seminar, conducted in memory of Dr. V.K. Alexander, the first Head of the Department of Psychology).

[\(https://psychology.uccollege.edu.in/news/centenary-webinar-series/\)](https://psychology.uccollege.edu.in/news/centenary-webinar-series/)

The Departments of Biosciences, and School of Management studies have also utilized the expertise and knowledge of its prestigious alumni by inviting them as resource persons for various lectures.

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FR. SHIJO KANJIRATHAMKUNNEL C.M., J.C.D., PH.D.
(BATCH 1998-2001)
POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGIST AND CANONIST
ALASKA, USA

Date
Aug 8

Time
10 am

**NO Registration fees
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Dr. Seena M Mathal
Coordinator
Ms. Syna Soosan Abraham
HoD, Psychology
Dr. David Saj Mathew
Principal

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Department of Biosciences cordially invites you for a
Webinar on

**Zebrafish disease models for phenotypic drug
screens and personalized medicine**



Dr. Anju Mary Philip
Zebrafish Centre for Advanced Drug Discovery,
St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, Canada

Date and Time
Saturday, 24th October, 2020
6.30 pm (IST)




Kindly register in advance
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Resource Person



DR. THOMAS P MATHEW
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RETD. PROBATION MANAGER, CUYAHOCA
COUNTY JUVENILE COURT, CLEVELAND, OHIO

Date
Aug 22

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6 pm

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Resource Persons




MR. LENY PHILIP THOMAS (2000-2003) AND **DR. SANDHYA RABEELLA FERNANDEZ** (REGISTERED CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, NEW ZEALAND PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD)

Date Sept 5 **Time** 10 am

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Resource Person
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Date Sept 19 **Time** 10:30 am

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SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO THE PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT OF COMMON PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS BASED ON SYMPTOMS



Resource Person
DR. SONNY JOSEPH, MD, PHD, MPH (U.C. COLLEGE, 1967-71) CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST & PSYCHIATRIST, ORLANDO, FLORIDA, USA

Date Oct 3 **Time** 6:00 pm

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Resource Person
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