

# **Trinity College Jalandhar**

## **Institutional Distinctiveness**

### **Thrust Area: Moral Uprightness and Spiritual Enlightenment of the Students**

To ensure moral uprightiness and spiritual enlightenment of the students is one of the areas distinctive to its priority and thrust which is carried from our vision and mission statements.

#### **Objectives:**

- To foster the development of strong moral character by instilling virtues such as honesty, integrity, responsibility, empathy and respect.
- To promote awareness and understanding of diverse cultures and religions, fostering tolerance and respect for different belief systems.
- To cultivate a sense of social responsibility and encourage students to actively engage in community service and outreach.
- To provide opportunities to engage and involve alumni in the activities of the college, strengthening the bond between the institution and its former students.

#### **Context**

The promotion of moral uprightiness and spiritual enlightenment among students in colleges dilates upon a shifting educational paradigm that emphasizes holistic development. Acknowledging the diverse and multicultural student body, the colleges strive to create inclusive environs that foster understanding and respect for different beliefs. In response to global challenges and a growing emphasis on social responsibility, colleges encourage students to engage in service-learning and advocate positive change, reinforcing the connection between academic knowledge and ethical decision-making. Interfaith dialogue and interdisciplinary approaches contribute to a comprehensive educational experience, aiming to equip students with the moral character, ethical reasoning and spiritual resilience needed to navigate complex personal and societal landscapes.

#### **The Process**

Trinity always strives to achieve its vision, mission and goals. It adheres to its motto “towards the higher realms of life”. Every year, the college selects a theme to accomplish the desired goal of the year. Through this theme, the college provides opportunities for innovation, creativity and responsibility. Right from the beginning of its establishment, the college has left no stone unturned in incorporating the best plans and programmes which will go a long way in making Trinity stand tall and become a college with a difference.

Every day, the college starts its day’s functioning with a prayer which is scheduled every morning at 9:15 am in the principal’s office. This becomes the venue for appreciating all the

good works and achievements. The prayer at the start of every class imparts transcendental values derived from the universality and omnipotence of the divinity.

To provide value based education, courses that cover life skills, spiritual and human values and professional ethics have been introduced in the college for the moral enlightenment of students. The college runs these classes once a week. With the help of this, our students live a life based on Indian ethos and core values.

Gearing the staff and students to be agents of social change by the application of knowledge to the existing human realities is our unceasing endeavour. The teachers and students visit orphanages, old age home, slums and other destitute people and help them. They also distribute clothes, money, eatables and other needy things to those in need. The college has initiated a commendable practice, the wall of kindness, to support the needy and the poor students of the college and people of the locality. The Wall of Kindness inspires the students, staff and the alumni to pursue acts of humanity and benevolence for the welfare of those in dire need of basic things.

The college also gives a platform to rise above the narrow confines of caste and religion by celebrating all the religious festivals in the college campus. It steers forward noble drives such as community food distribution service to the locals on the occasion of religious festivals. This creates an inclusive community culture among its inmates to celebrate diversity. It fosters an atmosphere where students feel free to express their spiritual beliefs, promoting mutual understanding and tolerance.

The college encourages the students to uphold the mission of the college by being actively engaged in community service. The college adopts villages and by adopting a nearby village, the college aims to contribute to the socio-economic development of the community through initiatives such as infrastructure improvement, educational outreach, and skill development programmes. This collaborative approach not only addresses local challenges but also provides students with real-world experiences that complement their academic learning and promotes a deeper understanding of societal issues.

Besides the above initiatives, the NSS and NCC serve as invaluable platforms for colleges to integrate community service, leadership development, and character-building activities into the educational experience. Through these organizations, students not only contribute to societal well-being but also undergo transformative experiences that positively impact their moral uprightness and spiritual enlightenment.

All these activities serve as pointers to achieve its mission to mould a generation of intellectually, morally and spiritually awakened youth so that the awakened youth will act as responsible citizens and will rise above the narrow confines of caste, religion and socio-economic barriers.

## **Our distinctiveness that makes the college a college with a difference**

- The college has instituted different clubs and associations to promote various activities such as Go Green with Trinity, Village Adoption Programme, Innovation Cell, Wall of Kindness, NSS, NCC, Cultural Club etc.
- One of the unique features of the college is that we celebrate the birthdays and other important days of the staff members in the college and appreciate them with a token of love.
- Another unique feature of our college is that every day, the staff and principal start the day with a morning prayer and the pledge. The principal appreciates and acknowledges the achievements of the staff.
- This is the only college in the vicinity which promotes secularism fully by respecting each religion by celebrating almost all the festivals of every religion and regions.
- The college has taken initiatives to run value based and value added education and training to the students for their holistic development.
- This is the only college in the vicinity which runs NCC for girls under self-finance scheme.
- This is the only college in the city which has adopted 5s system in the college.
- The college also has a special feature of organizing trips and outings for the management, teaching, non-teaching and supporting staff to facilitate an open communication between the staff and the management creating a meaningful and enjoyable experience for the staff.

## **Impact**

Regular evaluation and feedback mechanisms ensure that the various activities of the college remain relevant, impactful, and aligned with the evolving needs of the community. Many of the alumni come forward to support the society. Various activities enable the college to make a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals and contribute to the betterment of society and help the students in endeavouring towards newer explorations.