

LOYOLA COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES THIRUVANANTHAPURAM



CRITERION 5- STUDENT SUPPORT AND PROGRESSION

5.3 STUDENT PARTICIPATION AND ACTIVITIES

5.3.2 Institution facilitates students' representation and engagement in various administrative, co-curricular and extracurricular activities following duly established processes and norms (student council, students representation on various bodies)

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COLLEGE UNION REPORT

2020 - 2021

The Loyola College of Social Sciences was found in 1963 by the Jesuits, who run 158 universities cum colleges and 252 higher secondary schools across 112 countries spanning 6 continents and are fondly called 'The School Masters of Europe'. True to this incomparable legacy, branded as a college with a difference, Loyola College is committed to excellence in education with social justice. Over the 52 years of its service, Loyola has moulded students into citizens who are engaged in knowledge building for inclusive socio-cultural transformation.

Due to the covid'19, the University of Kerala was not able to organize any union across any colleges under the university. But, Loyola College of Social Sciences made a union by selecting the students, who came up voluntarily willing to take up the posts followed by a voting poll which was done in the Sutter Hall. The college union was made for organizing the college level activities more efficiently. The college Chairman and-Vice Chairperson post was selected from 2nd year and 1st year students respectively.

The Loyola College Union Members of 2020 – 2021 elected to respective posts are:

CHAIRMAN	AADHIL K U
VICE CHAIRPERSON	AYSHA AREEBA
ARTS CLUB SECRETARY	ANNA ALIAS
SPORTS SECRETARY	AJAYA GHOSH
PLANNING FORUM	ROHIT RAJ

Coming to the college activities that embodied our preferential focus.

1. Sports Day:

Amidst the pandemic, the college union and teachers were successful in conducting the Sports day. The whole college were divided into 4 houses: Samrat, Double Barrel, Minnalpada and Killadis. The Sports Day was held on March 26th and 27th and was

inaugurated by Mr Jairaj. R, Assistant Professor Physical Education, Govt College, Attingal. The overall championship trophy was won by team Samrat.

2. **Arts Day:**

Even though the students didn't get much time to practise for the Arts Day, all the students were able to do their best for the Arts Day. It was held on March 29th and was inaugurated by the Cine Artist, Arthana Binu. All the competition were among the houses.

3. **College Day:**

The college day was the most anticipated one for the students and teachers. The students practised very well for the programs. It was held on April 10th and was inaugurated by

Hari Namboodiri, an alumna of Loyola College of Social Sciences as well as a Community Leader & Social Activist. The college was indeed a colourful one and the students participated wholeheartedly.

Coming to the end of the report, we are glad that we were successful in putting out the best from the college students amidst the pandemic. College management and teachers were really a great support towards all the program and without them this won't be even possible.

The College Union would like to thank the College Rector and Manager, Fr. Sunny Kunnappallil S.J., Principal Dr Saji P Jacob, Vice Principal Fr Sabu P Thomas, the College Management and Heads of the Departments, Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff and all the students for your support in making the activities of the Union a grand success amidst the pandemic.

Union Report

The College Union for the academic year 2019-2020 was elected on 3rd Dec 2020. The elected representatives were:

Designation	Name	Department
Chairperson	Jithin Rodrigues	IInd MSW
Vice- Chairperson	Ansu Jacob	Ist MA HRM
General Secretary	Rahul A	IInd MA HRM
University Union Councillor	Arjun	IInd MA Sociology
Planning Forum Secretary	Merin Sunny	IInd MA HRM
Magazine Editor	Kesiyamol Mathew	Ist MSW
Arts Club Secretary	Gokul P G	IInd MA Sociology
Sports Club Secretary	Harikrishnan R S	IInd MA HRM
Women's Cell Secretary	Meenu Mariyam Lal	IInd MSW
Lady Representative	Aswini Prasad	IInd MSW
SC/ST Representative	Aswathi Ponnachan	IInd MSW
Social Work Representative	Anandhu B.L	Irst MSW
IInd Year Representative	Prince Jacob	IInd MSW

Ist Year Representative	Adhil K.U	Ist MA Sociology
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Stage is empty, the actor leave the stage. Its time to recollect the stones and beads of the journey.

“The only impossible journey is the one you never begin”

These are the great words of Tony Robins.

Our journey started behind time. But We can’t change the beginning but we can decide the journey and the destination. The Members of the college union were elected unanimously for the 2019 -20 academic years.

The Union inauguration was held on 21st November 2018 at 2:30pm in the Sutter Hall. The inauguration was done by Fr. Sunny Kunnappallil S J, Rector and Manager of Loyola Institutions. The formal function was followed by a variety of cultural events.

The union has been functioning under the guidance of principal

Dr. Saji P Jacob and staff advisor Dr. Angelo Mathew.

We had the support and guidance of all faculty advisors and non-teaching staff of Loyola College of social sciences, and the students for all our endeavours.

Thousands of students across India have taken to the streets against a controversial law that offers citizenship to non-Muslims from three neighbouring countries. I believe it’s our duty to be part of the national scenario, as an idle and not to be victim but to stand for the right. Dec 16. , after noon Union initiated protest against citizenship

amendment act, national register of citizens and police action on the students of jamia millia university.

In a dividing national scenario it was very relevant to proclaim the unity of our country to the world. We believe that education without the mind-set of prosperous thinking for a nation will not be a quality education. We celebrated our republic day observance on 22nd January 2020 in collaboration with LACE and NSS.

It was a platform for the students to create their own ideas to the canvas and it's a creative way of expression of their views through a poster. Inauguration of this poster corner was done by Dr. Shaji Varkey, the dean of social sciences, department of political science university of Kerala. We also conducted a panel discussion about citizenship and constitution. DR. Shaji Varkey, Dr Sindhu Thulaseedharan were the panellists.

For making awareness on students LACE, the competitive exam corner of our college conducted a Quiz competition about Indian constitution, national identity and symbols

Annual athletic meet was our own privilege as a loyolayit. This premier institute is giving importance not only to the people and their academic abilities. But it's a platform for the students to show their competency in arts and sports also. Inauguration of sports and games were inaugurated by Dr Angelo Mathew, faculty advisor of union and also the team members of four groups. These group are divided on the context of inter departmental collaboration, leadership, and the team spirit among students. On February 15 annual athletic meet was conducted and that was indurated by

Art is the imprint of soul and the artists are transforming that soul to the world. Theatre, dance, song, casting, choreography everything is part of this transformation. And our "Sarga keli" the art festival also a dynamic transformations of soul to the world. All the students in

our college were participated in these events and their “team work made it as a dream work.”

“Each time a woman stands up for herself she stands up for all the women” As part of observing the annually held International Women's Day, there was an interactive session organized under the collective effort of KSWDC Women Cell, and the College Union 2019-2020, on the 6th of March 2020 at 9:30am to 10:30am in the Sutter Hall, Loyola College of Social Sciences. The chief guest of the event Adv. Jyothi Vijay Kumar, who's designated to multiple roles of the faculty in Sociology at the Kerala State Civil Service Academy, junior lawyer at the District Court, Thiruvananthapuram and a freelance editor to various national dailies, addressed the function on the theme of Gender Issues & Women Empowerment in India.

Adv. Jyothi, with her inspiring, rather thought provoking words, transferred to the gathering inclusive of the Loyola student community along with their faculties, the crucial doctrines of a gender neutral, anti-patriarchal and secular version of a society.

Throughout this academic year we were able to do a lot of enriching programmes with the the time constraints. And we believe it developed a dynamic campus.

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Union Report

The College Union for the academic year 2018-2019 was elected on October 9th 2019. The elected representatives were:

Designation	Name	Department
Chairperson	Jahnavi Nair	IInd MA Sociology
Vice- Chairman	Jithin Rodrigues	Ist MSW
General Secretary	Nanma Manoj	IInd MA HRM
University Union Councillor	Arunima S	IInd MA Sociology
Planning Forum Secretary	Sooraj M R	IInd MA HRM
Magazine Editor	Ashly G S	Ist MSW
Arts Club Secretary	Elna Joseph	IInd MSW
Sports Club Secretary	Christben D F	IInd MA Sociology
Women's Cell Secretary	Reshma Raveendran	IInd MA Sociology
Lady Representative	Nisha R K	IInd MSc Counselling Psychology
SC/ST Representative	Anjali T M	IInd MSW
Social Work Representative	Treesa Varghese	IInd MSW
IInd Year Representative	Najma T R	IInd MSW
Ist Year Representative	Tison Thomas	Ist MSW

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Rector and Manager of Loyola Institutions. The formal function was followed by a variety of cultural events.

The Union celebrated Kerala Piravi on November 1st by wearing traditional handloom clothes in support to surviving weavers who lost their livelihood due to the 2018 floods. Mr. Paramasivam, a traditional handloom weaver from Balaramapuram Handloom unit was invited as the guest of the day. Prize distribution of the quiz competition held in association with the importance of Kerala Piravi was also awarded that day.

On the 11th of February the College Union conducted a blood donation camp in association with World Cancer day observation. The camp was organised in corporation with Sree Chithra Institute of Medical Sciences.

On 22nd February, as per the request of University of Kerala, the College Union in association with Kerala University Department of Students Service Centre conducted a lecture by famous Malayalam Short story writer and PSC Member Shri. Ashokan Charuvil. The lecture was chaired by Dr. Saji P Jacob, College Principal and the chief guest was Dr. P Rajesh Kumar, Syndicate Member. The welcome speech was delivered by M Harikrishnan, syndicate Member and Jahnvi Nair, Chairperson, College Union proposed the Vote of thanks.

The Union Members attended the procession conducted by The National Students Parliament organised by MIT World Peace University, Pune and Parliamentary Affairs Department, Kerala on 25th February 2019.

In accordance with World Social Justice Day celebrations, the College Union organised a talk on 26th February 2019. Adv. Shiju Sheik was the main speaker. Jahnvi Nair, College Union Chairperson gave the welcome speech, Dr. Angelo Mathew, Staff Advisor delivered the presidential address and Tison Thomas, First Year Representative of the Union proposed the vote of thanks.

In association with World Forest Day, a talk was organised under the theme “Forest Conservation and Education” on 21st March 2019. Conservation Photographer Shri. Balan Madhavan was the chief guest of the day.

The Women’s Cell of the College Union under the guidance of Staff Advisor Dr. Nisha Jolly Nelson and Women’s Cell Secretary Reshma Raveendran organised several programmes. The Training Wing of the Women’s Cell organised a Seminar named ‘Navangana-2019’ 1st March. A half-day Seminar on “Legal Awareness - Class on ‘Female Victims of Crimes: A Legal Analysis’ led by Dr. Hameema M on 28th June and Creative Workshop on Paper Bag making led by Ms. Divya 29th June 2019. The Cultural Wing organised screening of the film “Stoning of Soraya” on 21st March and a documentary review on “Period End of the sentence on 19th March. The Community Wing organized Community Intervention programme by paying a visit to the Tribal settlement area in Kallupara, Vithura on 19th June 2019.

On 26th February, 2019 the leaders for Planning Forum activities, Arts day and Sports day were selected respectively.

The Loyola College Union conducted its annual sports meet for the academic year 2018-2019 titled “ESPRIT - Celebrating Oneness of Loyola”. The game events began on March 15, 2019. Fr. Sunny Kunnappallil S J hoisted the flag and Dr. Saji P Jacob, Principal released the logo. The Annual Sports Meet was inaugurated by Padmasri Beenamol, Olympian. The College Union Chairperson Ms. Jahnavi Nair delivered the welcome speech and Christben D F, Sports Secretary proposed the vote of thanks.

The Loyola College Union organized Arts fest titled “Kaladiksha- 2019”. The Arts day for the academic year 2018-2019 was inaugurated on March 18th at 9 am by Dr. Saji P Jacob, Principal. The various competitions explored the creative talents and performing abilities of the students in singing, dancing,

acting, mimicry, speech etc. The Planning Forum of the College Union conducted its activities from March 20th onwards. Ten different competitions were conducted, which provided a platform for the students to exhibit their artistic and literary talents.

Throughout the academic year, the College Union tried and was able to carry out creative, informative, thought provoking as well as socially committed activities and a variety of new initiatives keeping in mind the social responsibilities and duties of being social science students. The Union strongly believe that it could have made positive impacts in students and will be an example for the next College Union and students as well.

The College Union for the year 2017-18 was elected on September 28, 2017. The elected representatives were:

DESIGNATION	NAME	DEPARTMENT
Chairman	Jude S	(II MSc Counselling Psychology)
Vice Chairperson	Dyna Scaria	(II MSc Counselling Psychology)
General Secretary	Aravindlal	(II MA Sociology)
University Union Councillor	Blessy Rose Mathew	(II MA Sociology)
Arts Club Secretary	G S Narayani	(II MSW)
Magazine Editor	Ashiely S James	(I MSW)
IInd Year Representative	Durga U S Nair	(II MA Sociology)
Women Cell Secretary	Saumya John	(II MSW)
Ist Year Representative	Ramesh S	(I MA HRM)
Lady Representative	Meenu Rose Ebi	(I MSW)
Planning Forum	Remya Remesh	(I MA HRM)
Sports Secretary	SreeJyothish H	(II MSW)
Social Work Representative	Geo Michael	(II MA HRM)
SC/ST Representative	Athira KO	(II MA Sociology)

The Union inauguration was held on 25th October 2017 at 2:30pm in the Sutter Hall with renowned political satirist and television personality Mr George Pulickan as the Chief Guest. The formal function was followed by a variety of cultural events.

On 27th October 2017, the Union members and a few college students attended the Civic Reception of the Hon'ble President of India, at

Tagore Theatre, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Union celebrated the International Men's Day on November 14, 2017 in front of the college portico. The celebration was with a view to promote equality and solidarity across genders. The theme for the 2017 International Men's Day was "Celebrate Men and Boys". Message for the day was delivered by Dr Nisha Jolly Nelson, Head of the Department, Sociology.

The Women Cell of the College Union organised a quiz competition on “The Legal Rights of Women” on 17th November 2017. The competition was sponsored by the National Commission for Women, Delhi. Around 70 students participated in the competition and the results were announced a week later.

On January 8th, 2018, the leaders of four different groups for Planning Forum activities, Arts day and Sports day were selected. On 12th January, 2018, the Union decided upon conducting the Annual Arts and Sports Day in January itself due to the rescheduling of the semester examinations.

The Planning Forum of the Union conducted a variety of Literary and Creative Arts competitions from January 10th to January 16th. Around fourteen different competitions were conducted, which provided a platform for the students to exhibit their artistic and literary talents. Vrinda Vijayan won the Sargaprabha in Creative Arts Award and Balalekshmi won the

Sargaprabha in Literary Events Award. The Annual Sports Meet was titled “Ignite”, denoting the flame inside each one of us which motivates and inspire us. “Ignite” was conducted over a span of four days, starting from 17th January 2018 to 20th January 2018. The track and field events were conducted on the final day. Sujin Das and Treasa Varghese became the Individual Champions. The sports day was a great success, bringing out the athleticism, sportsman spirit, team work, dedication and hard work from the participants as well as became a wonderfully co-ordinated event by the Sports Secretary and the Union, with support from the teaching and non-teaching staff as well.

The Arts Day, titled “Kalakrithi” was held on 23rd January 2018 with two different venues.

The various competitions explored the creative talents and performing abilities of the students in singing, dancing, acting, mimicry, speech etc. Geo Michael and Sanumol Catherine Scaria became the Kalaprabha and Kalathilakom



respectively.

The competitions were very well co-ordinated and organised by the Arts Club Secretary and it was indeed a very colourful and vibrant day in the history of Loyola.

The inauguration of the Women's Cell was conducted on 12th March 2018 and was inaugurated by Advocate J Sandhya, member of The Human Rights Law Network, Dr Saji P Jacob, Principal, Loyola College, and Dr Nisha Jolly Nelson, Coordinator Women's Cell. Adv Sandhya delivered the keynote address during the event and she enlightened the audience about the problems faced by women and their legal rights and provisions. After the session, a mime was staged with the theme "Women's Rights".

On 15th March 2018, as part of the "SwatchBharath" initiative by the Central Government, the College Union organized three different competitions in the college, namely quiz, essay writing and painting competitions for over 200 students. The winners were awarded with certificates issued by the Central Government in accordance with the SwatchBharath initiative.

A jewellery making workshop was organised by the Women's Cell on 24 March 2018. It was facilitated by Ms Dyfna Abhilash, founder Paramparya Terracotta Jewellery. The event, sponsored by Kerala State Women's Development Corporation saw the participation of 20 students.

On 25th June, the Women Cell screened a movie "Stoning of Soraya M." in the JM Hall from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. The story revolved around the stoning of a woman wrongly accused of adultery by her husband and his ensuing attempts to get her killed in connivance with influential men of the community. After the screening, a discussion

was facilitated by the Women Cell Co-ordinator. A discussion and presentation on Honour Killing was conducted by the Women's Cell in collaboration with the reading club on 26th June 2018 in the Sutter Hall. Various students presented their view points and it was indeed a very relevant meeting in the present day context. The Women Cell of the College organized an exposure visit to a tribal settlement in Vithura on the 30th of June. Fourteen students accompanied by the Women Cell Co-ordinator went for the visit.

The Union took the initiative to celebrate the "World Forgiveness Day" on July 9th 2018. The day was celebrated in a unique way by delivering leaf shaped paper cuttings to each student to write about a situation they would like to forgive and it was pasted onto a branch, which has been kept in front of college portico.

On July 21st 2018, the Union launched a new initiative where daily news is being displayed on the display monitor at the college main entrance. A board with sticky notes has been kept adjacent to this, called "Point of View" where the students and faculty members can share their views and perspectives on the trending headlines. This initiative has been a milestone achievement and one historic moment in the portals of Loyola. On 25th July 2018, the Union introduced two new initiatives - Paper Dustbin and Reusable paper dispensary. The paper dustbins are introduced as a substitute for plastic dustbins and are to be placed in each class rooms. The reusable paper dispensaries are kept on each floor of the college building. Both the initiatives are a part of the "green protocol" adopted by the college. Throughout its year long run, the College Union was able to carry out some of the most creative activities and a variety of new initiatives, keeping in mind the social responsibilities and duties, which could leave behind imprints in the hearts of fellow travellers.

COLLEGE UNION REPORT 2016-2017



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In December 2016, in accordance with the guidelines and rules of the University of Kerala, under the stewardship of the staff advisor Dr. Saji P. Jacob, the members were elected to the Union who promised to stand for ensuring the welfare and protecting the rights of the students.

The Loyola College Union Members of 2016-2017 elected for respective posts are:

CHAIRMAN	:	ADIL HAKKIM
VICE CHAIRMAN	:	SNEHA L
GENERAL SECRETARY	:	AKHIL
UUC	:	KRISHNAJITH
MAGAZINE EDITOR	:	PARVATHY S
ARTS CLUB SEC.	:	ATHUL K WILSON
WOMEN CELL	:	JINU BABU
LADY REP	:	SANUMOL
SPORTS CLUB SEC.	:	ARCHANA
PLANNING FORUM SEC.	:	ALOYSIUS ANTONY
SOCIAL WORK SEC.	:	BALALEKSHMI
SC/ST REP.	:	PRIYA MANOJ
2 nd YEAR REP.	:	ASHA BABU
1 st YEAR REP.	:	JIBIN

The first meeting of college union was held on 10th January 2017. On the 20th of January 2017, Mr. Sudeep Kumar (play back singer and the winner of Kerala State Best Play Back Singer AWARD 2012), lit the lamp and inaugurated both College Union as well as the Arts Club Activities. Dr. Saji P. Jacob Administered the oath for the union members as they were sworn as officials. Later the students of the college put forth a magnificent and entertaining cultural fest for the audience.

Coming to the College activities that embodied our preferential focus.

1. **Arts day:**
A platform was organized for the students to showcase their cultural and artistic talents, by organizing the Arts day, which was inaugurated by the College Principal Dr. Jose K Boban. For ensuring wider participation and providing greater opportunities all the students were divided into four groups: Le- Contenders, Django, Karos and Kammatippadam. The students put up a good show that staged issues of social relevance. I should say the Union was



successful in orchestrating a very festive and creative arts day through which many talents and stars bloomed and shined forth.

2. **Sports Day:**

Unlike the previous years the sports day of Loyola College was given a name *Sargaprathibha* and a logo was published on 17 February 2017 by Fr. Joy James. The sports meet was held from 18/02/2017 to 22/02/2017. The sports events were inaugurated on February 18 by NSS Chief Commander Brigadier K. S. Shaji. The prize distribution was done on 22/02/2017 in the college auditorium.

3. **Literary and Creative Arts Competitions:**

Literary and creative arts competitions were conducted by the Planning forum and was held on 1/03/2017, 06/03/2017, and 07/03/2017. Awards were instituted for the *Sagaprathibha* in literary events and *Sargaprathibha* in Creative Arts which was sponsored by Principal Dr. Jose K. Boban.

4. **Women's Day Celebration:**

Women day celebration was conducted by the women cell of the college union on March 6 and 7. The program was inaugurated by Dr. Jose Boban on 6th March. Extempore and women of the days competitions were held on that day. Tableau competition was held on 7th march.

5. **University youth festival:**

Unlike the previous years the union members and selected students participated in the 'Kalajadha' and inaugural function of the youth festival. We have made our mark this year as well, in the Kerala University Youth Festival by taking the students who were outstanding in the college arts day. Miss. Vani of I Msw won 2nd prize for Violin competition and Mr. Vishnu of II MA Sociology won 3rd prize for Aksharaslogam.

Coming to the end of the report, while celebrating the 54th College Day, we are proud of having had the opportunity to serve in the Union of the College which was re- accredited by NAAC in its 3rd Cycle, a score of 3.72, which is the third highest in the nation. We are glad that we were able to carry out union activities along with that of the College and that the Union activities had begun from the moment they were elected officially.

Thus concluding the report, we regret the opportunities that we have not utilised and for all the short comings we may have had. We have tried to do our level best for the three months of being elected.

The college Union would like to thank the College Manager Fr. Joye James S J, Principal Dr. Jose K Boban, Vice Principal Fr. Sabu P Thomas, Union Advisor Dr. Saji P Jacob, the College Management and Heads of the Departments, Teaching and Non- Teaching Staff and all the students for your support in making the activities of the Union a grand Success.

AKHIL
General Secretary
College Union.