



# MEMORIES@IEM

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#### THERE IS A LOT OF CATCHING UP TO DO

# **Editorial Desk**



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It was an honour to be a part of the Editorial Team for Memories@IEM, the Alumni Magazine team. That being the Editor of a magazine could involve so many different aspects was something unknown to us back then. For months, I was floundering about, without a clue how to get this gigantic task done. There were months of missed deadlines, a plethora of new things that had to be learnt, minute errors to find and correct, choices to make and decisions to take. Being a part of the magazine was a daunting, yet enjoyable affair. Kudos to the fantastic team of incomparable talent with special mention to Soumik Dey. Thank you for helping me turn something I had always wanted to do, into something I actually did. Thank you for giving me a venture so wonderful to look back on. A special shoutout to our respected Alumni, for their invaluable words and for sharing their precious moments with us. We would also like thank Professor to Sanghamitra Poddar for her constant support. This magazine was something that everyone enjoyed working on, and nothing could be a better reward than our readers enjoying it too.

# You Said, We Did It!





Various conferences (both National and International) are being organized. For the last 3 years, conferences have been organized at University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, Columbia University, New York, USA, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, USA

























### **Student Performance Awards**

#### **IEM Creations: Annual Magazine**



#### **In-House Cricket and Golf Practice Arenas**







" Nothing is more valuable than education. Nothing is more important than health."

Zumba Classes at IEM



That's a glimpse right out of the library



Yes! We've been organizing book fairs too.

IEM's very own ' Swachh Bharat Abhiyan'





SMILE -A Charity Initiative By IEM



" All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" The Basketball Courts and Sports Room at IEM



24 \* 7 \* 365 Library Facility



First Ever Kolkata Mini Maker Faire, organised by IEM

'Giving is indeed the greatest act of grace.' The IEM-UEM Marathon, in association with CRY





The launch of the E-Cell Magazine -Entreprana



Guitar Classes at IEM



eHaCon An International Hacking Conference organised

# **Blast from the Past**

I was lucky to be part of first batch of IEM student in ETC in 1996 and passed out in 2000. We had opportunity to get affiliation , building/land for college , it was like real time experience to build a future for our own. We were lucky to have professors like Rajiv G, SNB, BKD, TK Dutta and our very own Director Satyajit Chakraborty. We were nurtured through a structured way of education which. 20 years back in West Bengal, was first thing to have. This was the first private engineering and management college in Kolkata which gave a platform to many student such as myself to explore the world and concur the impossible.

> Arundhati Dutta Batch - 2000 (First batch of IEM) Director Visa USA

It was a scorching summer in late 90s and at the conjunction of Internet and economic revolution across India and West Bengal when my journey began with Institute of Engineering and management. Dr. Chakraborty (Sr.) with a group of motivated individuals and a handful of erudite professors started a dream with a group of students who were considered pioneers of private engineering education that changed the technical education landscape forever in West Bengal. No beginning is without challenges so was ours in its unique way. But as history teaches us, resiliency, hard work, honesty and sincerity is the seed which we all sow together then that today IEM, it's students professors and staff has evolved into a giant tree of success. We, from the first batch still become nostalgic talking about those wonderful davs of camaraderie. We wish IEM to become the best colleges in India and world.

Sougata Deb Senior Manager Southern California Edison Electric company, Los Angeles, California,USA.

It's really hard to express in few words how I feel about this particular place! Post graduation would never been such an awesome journey if I was not in IEM.. I cherish those two years of my life and will do so for the rest of the time.. 'bcoz I got knowledge rather than mere education & corporate exposure rather than HR theories

Chandrani Paul Batch- 2015-2017 Senior Executive, HR Employee Engagement, Cafe Coffee Day Came in as a teenager, went out as an energetic young corporate. But the 4 years in between were and perhaps will remain as the best part of our lives. Coming fresh from school, full of anxiety and innocence (umm.. may not be), least did we expect that we would make the best of our friends in the coming 4 years. I still remember, seeing us taking the first mid-sem in IEM as sincerely as our board exam, Sanghamitra mam said, "one day you will come to take the exam without knowing the subject name and without having pen with you." Well the mids-sems in last semester went like that only. Helping each other in assignments, lending "top-sheets", truncating syllabus for semester exams together, playing football in CK-CL ground by bunking dodging the ever strict security(yes we managed most of the times, preparing for placements together, motivating each other before interviews, rejoicing each others' success and finally writing few lines at the back of the college uniform on the last semester exam day, all of these flew so fast and we suddenly find ourselves standing in the Satya Sai Auditorium in the alumni meet in December. Thanks IEM for the wonderful years

> Suman Chakraborty Batch- 2011-2015 Qualcomm



It was August 2007. Almost 11 years have passed by, still the memories are fresh and special inside me. It was my first day of college at Institute of Engineering and Management. Next 4 years turned out to be a wonderful new chapter of life which I shall cherish forever. From the stringent disciplinary routine and attendance, incessant lectures and tests, enjoyable lab assignments, golden moments with friends, scary semester exams, right up to the final placements, it was indeed a roller-coaster ride. Apart from the all the learning and knowledge that I got here, IEM gifted me with a constellation of fantastic friends and wonderful faculty, of which with many of them I am still in good contact with. I shall remain always grateful to my college for that.

Thank you IEM, thank you for everything.

Dipanjan Ghosh Batch - 2007-2011 (ECE)



Isn't it amazing how life takes us through a kaleidoscope of events, people and circumstances that cause a cascade of emotions that would change one's life unimaginably.

When I started my college years, all I thought of is 'this is another stepping stone to a successful career'. Then I began to realise that the lecturers and professors at IEM are not just ordinary teachers, but the moulders of a student's future only they can see for us. Then, not only do they have showed the path, but they pave that path one have chosen to take, at every painful step of the way. They have encouraged me all the way and when necessary even brow beat when I thought of giving up and not staying the course.

Let's not forget the friendships I made along the way. Not only are there the jokes, the fun and the good times but there are also those time which I can only describe as 'the dark nights of the soul' when I was at my lowest and the self esteem has come crashing down. That is when these friends step out of their comfort zones and go the extra mile to give me a hand up and make me start believing in humanity again. Years from now I can see myself reminiscing and reminding myself "My IEM days were the best days of my life"

> Suman Sharma Batch- 2012-2015

IEM life reflects our childhood. The discipline and the strict regime that we were cursing during our academic life turned to be a boon in our professional lives. We are blessed to have some amazing teachers scolding us all the time to ensure the coal gradually turned into diamond. The IEM was actually a family and all our colleagues are hugely indebted to all our mentors for the enriching experience.

> Kuldip Dhole BCA

### "BCA".

People judge you by all means if you say that you are doing BCA after school. Entered for the first class in IEM wearing uniforms, (which was initially disliked by all of us ) and what did we get to hear ? "Welcome to hell !" Yes that is the first sentence our HOD said. "You all will be rigorously thrashed and penalized for these 3 years " . All the 132 students were actually quiet after listening to these lines cause everyone had expectations and their own dreams of how their college life is going to be .

Tests, assignments, parents call, entering into the college building before 9:13 else the message will pop out in your parent's number, standing outside the class by holding your ears in front of the corridor and what not.

lem was really strict and when it came to discipline, it is no less than a school .

It is just when the 3 years passes by in a blink of an eye and you realise what IEM REALLY is.

Yes you may have to attend maths class after college hours, solve 7 years of test paper during Pujo vacations, but it is all effective.

[Continued...]

IEM for me has helped me to prove my capability and made my parents proud of me .

A bunch of friends, who has never stepped back whenever I have needed them ,juniors who have made me feel like their elder sister, teachers always there to help you out whenever you needed them be it through whatsapp or mails or extra hours at college. Oh! not to forget , the time which they take in making slides/presentations for us to understand the topic well .

IEM is that college which actually made me who I am today. Who would have thought a mediocre student to get 5 job offers?

no , right?

But I did .

You need to gain confidence , and get trained properly and work hard.

Which lem motivated us to do, rather "pushed" us to do.

P.S- On the very last day of college life when " the gates of the jail has been opened for you " is said, tears started rolling our eyes.

Institute of Engineering&Management

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is loved by all the students who have spent their 3 years there. It is missed .

Patralekha Mitra

BCA



As students we all possess certain dreams and plans for the future. We then embark on the career course and keep moving forward. However it is great to be in continuous touch with the place which enabled us to lay the foundation of our dreams. IEM as an institute, the Professors, Staffs and the value system practiced here have facilitated us towards a holistic transformation from academia to industry. The world is talking about Outcome Based Education now, IEM is an institution which introduced the same long ago.

I sincerely congratulate the institution for continuing quality education for years.

Arindam Das Batch- 2008-2010 Regional Manager -BusinessDevelopment (East) SMB Segment TATA Consultancy Services

College comes and goes like a wind, what remains is a bunch of memories which you cherish for the rest of your life. You are the pawn in the first year ... minister in the middle years ... become the king of the campus in the final year. You will always remember – "These Were My Golden Days. I Was The King Of My Life. Everybody Used To Call Me The Ultimate Rockstar".

Don't miss it and don't ruin it either, live it to the fullest.

Hirak Talukdar Batch - 2011 (ECE) Senior Analog Design Engineer Analog Devices Pvt. Ltd. Bangalore



When I was required to write something about my memory in IEM, I was just asking myself, do I have any memory to share? I was that type of student, who attended only one fest and only one NEN in my entire college life (skipped rest of the fest and all cultural programs). To speak frankly, I was reluctant to go to college. But more than 90 percent attendance was mandatory to seat for semester exams. So, we were obliged to attend the classes. In a nutshell, we were in too much restrictions. But, when I look back to my college life, I really miss those days. We didn't have any playground, but we invented our own way of recreation. For example we used to play "Mafia", a game of role-play and harmless bluffing. I remember becoming a bluff master in a short time. I remember the practical classes with my crush (who was my lab partner). I believe she could feel the mild wind of fondness, but never responded that way. We were close friends. I used to copy the practicals from her notebook and promised a treat every time. At last, we went for a dinner once, long after those college days. But, that was a Dutch treat. It still makes me smile when I reminisce about those days. One of the most memorable day in my college life was the day when I received three job offers from three MNCs (Wipro, Infosys and CTS). After a long week of placement, the result-out day made almost all of us happy. More than 90% students of batch 2015 got placed on that day. Happiness was never a destination, it is the journey. We made happy memories unknowingly.

> Arindam Khanda Batch - 2011-2015 (ECE)

My four years in IEM has been a very wholesome and holistic experience. I have made some fantastic friends, met few of the brightest minds and been educated by extremely helpful teachers. I have learnt a lot in my time at the institute, both within and outside the classroom. Everyone has been very helpful to all of us and I would like to make a special mention of the non-teaching staff. Sometimes we had to stay back late into the evening to complete our projects and they would stay behind with a smile on their faces. These people do not always get the credit they deserve and I would say all of them have been very nice to me. On a personal basis, every teacher had supported me in my endeavours which were different from the technical learning. I would like to extend my gratitude to the them for encouraging me to follow my passion and take up sports as a career.

### Arinjay Ghosh Batch- 2014-2018

I think attending IEM was the best time span of my life. It's IEM that gave me the confidence to be able to do things with my best ability. Also it is wonderful to have been in a college that has such a high educational standard and which provides its students all the facilities and encouragement needed to attain high in life. Last but never the least, IEM will always remain a part of my life that I will never want to miss."

## Titly Dhar , Batch- 2014-2016 Assistant Professor,Department of Business Administration

University of Engineering & Management, Kolkata In the four years of my bachelors in Computer Science, I came across some of the most amazing people and experiences. They helped shape my career and had an ever lasting impression. Professors were welcoming and made sure to bring the best out of every student. Ee-kian Wong, Tamal Chakraborty, Himadri Nath Saha and Sanhita Ghosh were some of the prof. who acted as a guiding light and went out of their way to support me. Sharing the class with students who were brilliant in academics and non-academics was inspiring. Memories of bunking classes and sneaking inside the campus brings joy to me. One of the most thrilling experience of my college life was when 414 students got placed in a single day. It was hard to believe that people actually get multiple offers from campus placements until I bagged offers from PwC, SAP Labs and TCS. I am thankful to IEM for being an integral part of my life and providing me with teachers and friends whom I can look up to.

Harsh Gupta Batch - 2012-2016 (CSE) Software Engineer, Facebook

In my 2years of MBA I met many people, It was great experience being here. Now when I look back I feel the changes.. how time changes and how life keeps on moving without a pause.All I can now recall is that first presentation when I was shivering with stage fear and public speaking. That first interview for organising committee.. those events we organised and clubs inaugurated.. Hanging out every now and then,, bunking classes, rehearsals, practices, improvements, detentions by professors, exams and so on...Llife was always fun and exciting. Only thing that keeps on coming in my mind is "Wanna get back to IEM and grow up once again....."

Leena Sultana Batch -2012 -2014 If not the epitome of descipline, IEM definately is a very strong example of it in my life. This journey that dated from some where of July 2015 and lasted till June of 2018 will probably be forever cherished in my life time. IEM taught me every thing, and gave me every thing it promised to. I remember my first day, where our Head of the Department and our very own ABHsir, welcomed us to a place called "Hell". The initial days, probably all of us thought of running away from it. But, amazingly, the last working day of BCA 15-18 batch and the doors were opened for us to leave and not a single one of us wanted to leave. I remember my parent calls, I remember the assignments, and not to forget the punishments. You might not know, but 09:13 was a very important time at our watch.

For me personally, Ashram Campus has been my home and most importantly, it gave me all a man needs, a group of crazy friends who can do any thing you ask for, a future that every budding IT grad needs, and all the beautiful MAROONs of life that you would need to live. IEM gave me respect, and the space every individual would need to prosper every day.

IEM has been loved, will be loved.

To my faculty that never shyed away to strenghthen me,

My Juniors, whose respect made me a humble being,

My Friends, whose love made me what I am today,

The Building, which is no less than a home,

Institute of Engineering & Management,

Ashram Campus.

Ayush Paul Batch - 2018 (BBA)

# Down the Memory Lane





Sourav Bose shares some of his Batch pictures- the First ever Batch of IEM













Suman Chakraborty shares some memories





Pooja Khandhadia shares few glimpses of her college days BCA-2014-2017











### "Memories we cherish"





# Batch of 2017 and 2018







# Homecoming, 2017

On 22nd December 2017, Institute of Engineering and Management (IEM) organized the much awaited Alumni Meet – The Homecoming 2017, in the IEM Gurukul Campus with over 500 alumni members attending the event. The event witnessed the launch of the Alumni E-Magazine – Memories@IEM, created as a medium to bridge the gap between the institution and its proud graduates spanning across the world. The college took this opportunity to felicitate some remarkable projects undertaken by current IEM students and a total sum of Rs.4 lakhs were awarded as assistance for the completion of their dream projects by IEM Alumni Association. Also several alumni were awarded during the prize distribution ceremony for their noted work in entrepreneurial ventures, community services and academic research.

The **Young Alumnus Award** was bagged in by **Arpita Biswas** (PhD student at Indian Institute of Science), Subham Mukherjee (PhD student at Microsoft Research), and Manashi Chakraborty (Graduate Student Researcher) whereas Ananda Sinha (Principal Software Engineer at Microsoft Corporation USA), Partha Pratim Roy (Assistant Professor at IIT Roorkee), Somak Shome (Director at PwC), Anish Mohan (Project Manager at Tata Consultancy Services), Suparnokanti Karati (Film Producer of National Award Winning Film Bishorjon) and Suparno Mukherjee (Senior Personnel Officer at TCS), were felicitated with the **Alumni Award of Distinction**. The batch of 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002 secured the Alumni Award of Distinction. The award ceremony was then followed up with the customary cake-cutting ceremony and the extravaganza was then finally concluded with a cultural program and a DJ night, where the students, alumni members and professors danced their hearts off and had a blast. The Homecoming 2017 ended with a promise to meet again and bid emotional farewell each other. everyone an to

# **Photo Galleria**





**2018 FAREWELL FLASHBACK** 

## How can we forget about Innovacion?













## Our Cultural Fests have grown bigger!







IEM E-Cell being awarded as the Best E-Cell in India

#### Students all ready for SRJAN 2018

#### **Charity Drive 2018**







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