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St. Albert's College (Autonomous) grows as a reflection of its vision and mission. Believing what makes one worthy of knowledge is the thirst for it. The college makes education, a fundamental right, accessible to all. Knowledge empowers, but it truly empowers only when it is available to everyone. Through this, the college aims at addressing the local needs of the relatively industrialized coastal city of Cochin and of the society at large.

Apart from a plethora of Programmes, the College offers specialized UG programmes in Aquaculture, Industrial Fisheries, Industrial Chemistry, Logistic Management and Renewable Energy. The college has adopted certain unique practices – Specializing in innovative teaching practices, a unique automated examination system and a self-created Question Bank helping in the auto-generation of question papers, the first of its kind in Kerala. The College offers a provision for external PG students to do their project work under the supervision of teachers with many PG students of the college doing their projects in premier institutes in India with scholarship.

The College has initiated an international conference on multidisciplinary research named Albertian International Knowledge Summit to promote research and innovation, a month-long programme conducted every year. Delegates and scholars from various parts of the globe visit the College and share their research outputs, knowledge and ideas in multiple disciplines. Various invited talks were delivered by eminent scientists from around the globe on recent developments in physical, chemical, life and social sciences, arts, commerce, managements, languages, sports and other multidisciplinary areas. The College has ensured the smooth and successful conduct of this iconic event every year.

To have an up to date understanding of recent literature, many Departments conduct a Journal Club for PG students where students present their views and ideas on a relatively new article from a reputed

journal. In addition, various seminars, conferences, workshops etc., are conducted focusing on academic excellence.

Furthermore, Walk With the Scientist – interactive sessions of students with eminent scientists, Meet the Alchemist – a platform for students to interact with notable Alumni, are some of the highly successful academic extension programmes of the College that cater to students who exhibit outstanding aptitude and talent in different learning areas. In addition, the College offers skill and competency development programmes like the Albertian English Learning Programme, Civil Service Grooming Programme, Albertian Happiness Programme, etc. for our undergraduate students and Pioneer Build-up, Junior Scientist Programmes, etc. for high school students. The purpose of these extension programmes is to challenge and inspire. They seek to further develop a student’s skills and abilities by fostering an environment that provides challenges, where students can work with peers who share similar interests, aspirations, and abilities. Albertian Integral Development Programme, a community engagement extension programme of the College aimed to empower the young people of the community. Activities such as career guidance seminars and counselling, individual mentoring etc were carried out under the tile “Vidyamarg”. The College conducted a national seminar –“Rebuild Kerala”, in the aftermath of the 2018 Kerala Floods, where sustainable redevelopment of various flood-affected sectors’ was discussed. A panel of experts participated, shared their views and documented a proposal. On the path to becoming an energy-efficient campus with an available 40 KW on-grid solar photovoltaic energy supply, the college promotes the use of LED lamps and creates awareness on the same, ensuring the growth of responsible citizens. To conserve art, culture and ensure inclusivity, the College fosters the celebration of ethnic diversity to help students reconnect with the country’s cultural roots. This promotes the essence of age-old customs and traditions that have helped harmonize the different ethnic communities of India. Ethnic Day envisages a celebration of India’s heritage, civilization, anthropology, art, and culture. The College has also hosted many vibrant communities from across India

who spent a day on the campus showcasing their rich, colourful culture reflecting the diaspora and diversity of Indian culture and values. The College also conducts Albertian Cultural Days, a day in every week where students of each Department portray their creativity and talent. The College provides due attention to sports, focusing on both athletics and games. Students are encouraged and trained to participate not only at intercollegiate, district and university levels but also at state, national and international levels.

St. Albert's College (Autonomous) adopts a comprehensive approach to teaching where educators seek to address students' emotional, social, ethical, and academic needs in an integrated learning format. A powerful message of social inclusion and the right to education, the teaching-learning process is an interaction and engagement in education, training, knowledge production, innovation initiatives and conscious wisdom.