

The college is striving to achieve the mission of the institution. The course curriculum, teaching methodology, participative governance, promotion of inclusiveness in higher education, sports and cultural activities are all continuous practices in the college.

TITLE: SELF FINANCING COURSES: A PIONEER INSTITUTION

GOAL

To achieve academic excellence, as reflected in the vision and mission of the college, our college aims at imparting an education that produces intelligent, creative and sensitive human beings that can respond positively to the challenges of changing times. The college also believes that courses which help our students find productive employment will contribute positively to social enrichment.

CONTEXT

A larger number of educated youth of the state are not in a position to get meaningful employment without professional degrees. In the present era of liberalization, privatization and globalization (LPG), apart from an exposure to a number of subjects of study at the +2 level and the UG degree, young people need functional skills to get employment in the global context. Many students from Sundernagar in particular and from Himachal Pradesh in general had to go out of the state to pursue such courses.

PRACTICE

M L S M College is a pioneer institution to start courses under the self financing scheme in the state of Himachal Pradesh. It was the first affiliated college to start the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree programme in the year 1996. In continuation of the same practice, the college was the first in the state to introduce the B. Ed. in 1998. The college started BCA in 2001, B.P.Ed. in 2007 and BPE in 2008 respectively. In July 2010 the college became the first in the state to start M.Sc's in Physics and Chemistry in 2010-11 followed by M. Sc. Botany and Zoology in 2013. The practice of starting self financing courses has given excellent results and has put a positive impact on the academic environment of the college.

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS

With the inception of self financing courses in 1996, it has been observed that our students have set a benchmark of bagging top positions not only in the district but also at the state level. Every year the students of this college mark their presence in the first ten top positions of the H P University results. With the beginning of the courses like B. Ed. and the M.Sc's, the students of

the college have got an opportunity to interact with eminent scholars across various fields who visit the institution from time to time. Students of different departments, transcending the boundaries of disciplines, are enthusiastically participating in seminars, presentations and discussions.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED

To generated financial resources to meet the requirements of the courses

To create infrastructure as per the requirement of the courses

To seek affiliations from different statutory/ affiliating bodies

To attract and retain eligible and well qualified faculty