

Sardar Patel University

The University lays equal emphasis on teaching, research, extension and service-related activities for the overall and holistic growth of the students, the Extension and service activities are conducted throughout the year by independently working units such as Community Radio Station, Community Science Centre, University Museum, University Health Centre and Sanskar Mandal. The Community Radio Station trains and design programmes by the students, for the students and of the students by regularly broadcasting Radio Channel FM 90.4MHz. The programmes are of two types, one is University student-related information and the second taps the talent of students in making programmes on academic, social-cultural aspects. Talks by the specialists are arranged to address the concerns of stress and health-related issues. A district-level Community Science Centre is hosted on the campus under the sponsorship of the Gujarat Council on Science and Technology (GUJCOST), Gandhinagar. The main underlined objective of the Centre is to take the Science to the People and attract People to Science. Therefore several programmes formal and informal, in the form of Talks, Summer Camps, Hands-on Training, Demonstration of Scientific Principles, Workshops, Film Shows, Field Visits, Interactive Sessions etc. are organized. The students, especially school children are being reminded of important scientific discoveries, inventions and contribution of reputed scientists by celebrating Days of National and International significance. The students are encouraged through awarding prizes for their performance in competitions. The children are encouraged to take Science as their interest subject and take up small research themes to participate in District State/National level competitions of the Children's Science Congress. The University has a Museum of its own that preserves historical and cultural heritage and the cultural legacy of Gujarat and India. It promotes awareness among the citizens and especially young students through awareness/ orientation/exhibition/competition programmes. The University promotes social-cultural activities for the University employees and their families through a Sanskar Mandal, an organization run by the University Staff. The Mandal runs an Inhouse Nursery (Balwadi) for the children of University employees and other citizens. Sanskar Balwadi also organizes competitions such as Fancy Dress, Hair Style, Mehndi, and Garba Competition at Taluka and District Levels. It provides nutritious food to children and has swings and slides for the amusement of the children on its large compound. It has fine equipment for the development of various skills.