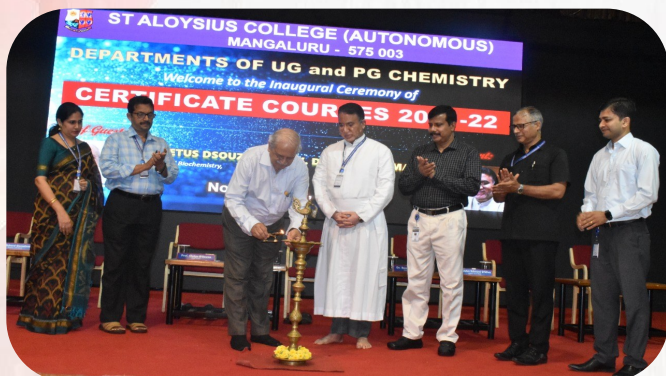


Inauguration of Certificate Courses in Chemistry

Department of Chemistry, St. Aloysius College (Autonomous) in association with Chemalgam Association organized the inaugural ceremony of the certificate courses for the year 2021-22, at L. F. Rasquinha Hall,



LCRI Block on November 25, 2021. The occasion was graced by the presence of Prof. Cletus Dsouza, Chief Guest, Rev. Dr. Praveen Martis SJ, President, Dr. Richard Gonsalves and Dr. John Edward DSilva, Directors.

The UG and PG departments jointly offer 11 online certificate courses namely, Spectral Interpretation of Organic Compounds, Culinary Chemistry - Everyday Chemistry of Cooking, Cosmetic Chemistry, Reagents in Organic Synthesis, Molecular Spectroscopy: A Theoretical Approach, Separation Techniques in Chemical Analysis, Instrumental Methods & Separation Techniques in Chemical Analysis, Forensic Chemistry – Scientific Approach to Crime Investigations, Online Tools In Chemical Research, Application of Analytical Chemistry in Food Laboratories and Chemistry Drawings using ChemsSketch Software.

Dr. Ronald Nazareth, HOD, Department of Chemistry welcomed the gathering and emphasized the importance of communication technology in education in extracting the best out of students and encouraged students to be a part of the certificate courses.

The chief guest, Prof. Cletus D'Souza discussed the application of chemistry in forensic sciences taking examples of the case studies performed in his research laboratories while investigating criminal cases related to snake



venom. He congratulated the department for organizing certificate courses, which add value to students by taking up additional courses apart from their curriculum.

Principal, Rev. Dr. Praveen Martis SJ highlighted on the quality education provided by the institution and invited the participants to strive for excellence with hard work and commitment. He also encouraged students to contribute to the society by seeking inspiration from the alumni of the college, who have contributed to their alma mater in setting up central instrument laboratories for research.

During this program the Department of Chemistry took initiative in felicitating the student achievers for their academic excellence. Students who were recipients of Inspire fellowship and those who secured exemplary results in IIT-JAM chemistry exams were felicitated.

The program was coordinated by Dr. Roshan Dsouza and



Dr. Rachael Natasha. Ms Jyothi Vaz compered the program.

The inaugural program was followed by a distinguished talk by Prof. Roderick Bates from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore on "Scope of Chemistry in Forensic Sciences". The talk was organized in a blended mode in which more than 600 students participated in both offline and online modes. Prof Bates in his presentation, discussed the general applications of forensic sciences in physical, biological and chemical sciences with many case studies.

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Spark-The Talent Show

The students of the first year BSc biotechnology studying in St. Aloysius College Autonomous held an online talent show on 20 November 2021 on Zoom. The programme was hosted by Ms Jeethal D'Souza, supported by Ms Joanne Dsouza, Mr Kevin Ashwin Cardoza, Mr. Mohammad Siddiq, Ms Raksha Rai and presented by Ms Arunima Padman. The programme began by invoking the blessings of the almighty followed by a motivational speech by Mr Sreejesh. Many dancers, singers and artists showcased their talents in this event. The hour long programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr Kevin.

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