

This year there have been few structural and procedural changes in the functioning of Student Engagement and Applied Learning (SEAL). The department now operates as two separate, but complimentary teams:

1. **Student Engagement** – encompassing all extra-curricular activities, Social Clubs, and administration of student life on campus
2. **Applied Learning** – covering Experiential Learning, Professional Clubs, and all knowledge building and industry outreach initiatives

Along with restructuring at a department level, there have been a few process updates too:

Experiential Learning Programme (ELP) – An ELP Committee, comprising of faculty members is tasked with supervising the ELP course including laying down guidelines for sourcing of projects, screening, coordinating and defining learning goals. The committee will ensure that the problem definition in ELP projects is substantive in nature and require non-trivial application of concepts learnt in the classroom.

On June 15, 2015, the committee released the first round of ELP projects which received good number of applications from the student community. The second round of ELP projects will be released on July 1, 2015.

Student Activities – Professional Club elections were advanced this year to run parallel with the GSB President elections. The idea was to kick-off Clubs activities at the earliest. As a result, all the 17 Professional Clubs across Hyderabad and Mohali were already fully functional by the second week of Term 2.

Additionally, there is more effort to streamline various activities on campus, with all independent Club conclaves being merged into ILS which now takes place as a 3 day event: Day 1 in Mohali and Day2-3 in Hyderabad. The dates for ILS this year are November 6-8, 2015. Correspondingly, the various competitions held by the Professional Clubs have been clubbed under Advaita – a two day fest held on both campuses parallelly, and which will take place on October 24-25, 2015.

Learning and Development (L&D) – With L&D being aligned with Applied Learning, the focus has been shifted to making students aware about professional competencies requirement, and how to prepare for, and avail the career opportunities in different verticals. In this light, L&D organized Knowledge Transfer Sessions for the current Class, on June 20 and 21 at both campuses. 16 Alums at Hyderabad, and 14 Alums at Mohali Campus, spread across five functions (Sales & Marketing, Finance, Technology, Consulting & Strategy and General Management), came and shared their career experiences with the students. All of these sessions were well attended and got an excellent feedback from students.