



Report – Visit of delegation from HUST, China to GTU

13th August 2014 @ GTU Chandkheda Campus

Gujarat technological University is one of the largest technological universities in India. With objectives to provide the quality education matched with international standards, GTU has signed MoU with many renowned universities of USA, Canada, Germany, Slovenia, UK and China. Through the MoU GTU facilitate its students to explore the education system and culture of foreign universities and also welcomes the foreign professors and students to explore the Indian education system and culture through their visit to GTU and its affiliated Institutes.

Since 2011, GTU offers International Experience Program (IEP) to its students. It is one of the largest international summer internship program across the Universities of Nation in which within 3 years, more than 520 students have visited various foreign Universities.

As a part of its Global MBA Program, GTU has launched a unique program called Global Country Study Report (GCSR) since 2011 in last year of MBA. In GCSR, students and faculties identify the bilateral trade opportunities with various foreign countries. In current academic year 112 countries are being studied by students of GTU MBA institutes.

Looking at the flaring scope of GTU at international front, **Delegation from The Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST), China has visited GTU on 13th August 2014.** The delegation visited three renowned Universities of India including GTU to explore the possibilities for academic collaborations with reputed Indian Universities.

The delegation was led by Ms. Annie Zhao, Vice Dean, school of International Education and Mr. Ai Xiao, Head of admission from HUST. Mr. Dhanajay Shah, founder CEO, Moksh



overseas education has accompanied the delegation and the visit was coordinated by Dr. Indrajit Patel, BVM Engineering College, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Dr. G P Vadodaria, I/C Registrar, GTU has welcomed the delegation on their arrival at GTU.

Dr. Kaushal Bhatt, Assistant Professor, Centre for Global Business Studies briefed the delegation regarding the administrative and academic structure of GTU along with its various initiatives and achievements.



After getting brief about GTU, Mr. Ai Xiao, gave the presentation on HUST. He shared that HUST is one of the top 10 universities in China and it is known as China's MIT.



It has been founded in 1952 and has won 21 National Prizes for education reform and having 49 National Quality Courses. HUST offers the courses in academic disciplines like, Engineering, Medicine, Management, Law, Science, Literature, Economics, History, Agriculture and Philosophy.

After going through the presentation on HUST by Mr. Ai, Dr. Akshai Aggarwal, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor GTU has expressed appreciation for the detailed presentation on HUST and told that the academic infrastructure of university looks very impressive. He shared about GTU's IEP and its structure. Dr. Aggarwal also shared the possibility of 1+1 programs in masters' courses between GTU and HUST. He offered that GTU's Global MBA program is having few of the extra ordinary specializations like Gandhian Philosophy, Asian Businesses, and Ethics in Businesses and students from HUST can join these specializations for one semester at GTU.

Dr. Aggarwal also shared the GTU's initiatives in various joint projects with foreign Universities. He shared that GTU has completed two joint research projects with DHBW, Germany.



Recently, GTU has initiated the third joint research project, called Multi Location Collaborative Learning (MLCL) for studying the Democracies of the Word. It will be jointly conducted with DHBW and other Universities of Canada and Africa. HUST can join this project as a first foreign University from Asian Countries.

Dr. Aggarwal shared about the plan to start the school of languages under the Centre for Global Business Studies. He has shown the interest to start the Chinese Language course with help of HUST at GTU.

Ms. Annie Zhao has explained the academic structure of the various courses, the ratio of international students studying at HUST, programs which are being taught in English for the international students and the international tie ups. She shared about the interesting 3+3 program at HUST in which, the students study the Chinese language for 3 months and in next 3 months, they go for internship with corporates or industries of China.



She shared that the initiatives of GTU like IEP, GCSR and joint research projects with foreign universities makes it truly International University. For the joint research projects, she requested GTU to send the details, so that the concern academic professors can go through and GTU and HUST can decide the further road map.

She accepted the proposal for 1+ 1 program in master courses, and requested GTU to send the details for further discussion with concern department at HUST. For the Language School, she proposed to start the Confucius Institute at GTU. She shared that HUST is having one program, where the Alumni Students of HUST serve as volunteers at various foreign institutes to teach Chinese Language Course. So, Dr. Aggarwal proposed to provide more details on the possibility of sending such volunteers to GTU for starting Chinese Language Course. Ms. Annie Zhao also proposed to send few professors to HUST for learning Chinese Language, who can than teach the same at GTU.

At the end of the meeting both Universities agreed to prepare a draft MoU for the collaborations in the area of IEP, 1+1 Programs in Master courses, student and faculty exchange, Summer Internship and starting Chinese language school at GTU. The MoU is expected to be signed very soon.

Dr. Indrajit Patel expressed vote of thanks to the delegation for their visit at GTU and assured that this beginning of GTU and HUST relations will go long for the benefits of students and faculties of both the universities.

Dr. Akhshay Aggarwal presented a memento to Ms. Annie Zhao as a memories of her visit to GTU and same is reciprocated by her.



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