



Garden City University

THE NEXT LEVEL OF EDUCATION

STRATEGIC VISION PLAN 2030



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VISION

To be an institution that will offer affordable world class education to all classes of students in order to uplift the society we serve, by nurturing human values and ethics and by imparting knowledge which emphasises on life skills.



MISSION

To evolve, synthesize and spread the power of knowledge to arm generations to come through world-class initiatives and academic practices that focuses on overall development of students.



Prolusion

THERE IS A BEGINNING BUT NO END

Garden City University started its illustrious journey 27 years ago under the leadership of Dr Joseph V G, The Chancellor. From the first day, the one and only goal of this institution was to provide world-class education. Today with highly educated professors, faculty members, state-of-the-art infrastructure, an inspiring knowledge campus and multiple teams of dedicated staffs, Garden City University is acknowledged among one of the most progressive Universities by the education fraternity of India. But excellence has a beginning but no end. And it is the reason why we at Garden City University always keep ourselves busy in elevating the University to newer heights. Garden City University Strategic Vision Plan 2030 is a five-fold approach towards placing the university besides the world's superlatively rated education institutions in the near future. With a solid plan and a solid team, we have already started working towards it. This book briefly describes our plan and approach and the road ahead.

Discover the future of Garden City University. It's infinite. It's endless.

Chancellor's Foreword



Garden City University's has always been at the forefront of innovating and bring change in the higher education sector in India. Our universities core values have always been centred around our motto: "Emphasis on Life".

Garden City University is uniquely paced in its evolution from a college started in 1992 to becoming a stand-alone university in 2013. Throughout its evolution, the institution has garnered many laurels and has etched a name for itself as a premiere educational institution in India.

The growth of any organisation does not happen in absentia of careful planning. The Strategic Vision Plan 2030 is a pathway for Garden City University planned by consulting the best minds in the Government, Education Fraternity and the Business world to achieve excellence in all that we do. I encourage all my faculty members and well-wishers to read and understand the five-fold approach stated in this document. Come let us join hands and create Garden City University as the most sought-after educational institution across the world.

Dr Joseph V G

Chancellor

Garden City University

From the desk of the Vice-Chancellor



Garden City University's Strategic Vision Plan 2030 is a systematic approach towards making this University at par with the world's leading educational institutions of higher learning. Brilliantly planned, keeping the future in mind, it consists of everything that requires to make this Institution a leader in South East Asian Education Sector in the near future. We don't live for today but for tomorrow. It is with the hope of a better tomorrow that we wake up every day and keep going.

This strategy is a fresh hope for not just Garden City University but for the entire education sector in India. It exemplifies what professional education should look like in the future and how an institution needs to prepare itself to prepare its goals. After going through the blueprint, I am pretty much sure that Garden City University is soon going to lead the world of education and recalibrate the future of its pupils to their maximum potential. I wish this endeavour excellent success.

Prof. G. R. Naik

Vice Chancellor

Garden City University

FROM THE REGISTRAR'S DESK



The best thing that has happened to the Garden City University in the recent past is the Strategic Vision Plan 2030. The dynamics of vision 2030 will surely unfold in the coming years and give a solid premise and the academic ethos with which GCU is approaching the vision of higher education its holistic approach.

Vision 2030 is an ambitious but at the same time very practical approach to deal with the futuristic India. India of the 21st century is no more the same old Bharath. The aspiration of young Indians who forms more than 50 per cent of India's population is waiting to grab any academic opportunity thrown at them. And the GCU is at the right threshold of 21st Century India with its grand Strategic Vision Plan 2030.

GCU has global vision and is actively pursuing the establishment of network of collaborative teaching and research partnership with reputed Universities across the globe. And for the success of such global plan, Strategic Vision Plan 2030 becomes a perfect launching pad for our futuristic University.

I am sure the greatest strength of GCU, which is undoubtedly its teaching faculty is all geared up to welcome the Strategic Vision Plan 2030 to reach the pinnacle of academic heights in the coming years and the great beneficiary of the vision 2030 will be its stakeholders - the students of GCU.

Dr. Sibi Shaji

Registrar

Garden City University

Director's view



It is my honour to present the Strategic Vision Plan 2030 for Garden City University. This document is a culmination of the efforts of many individuals that have worked tirelessly on bringing this Vision Plan in its current form. India and the Indian Higher education is at a cusp of change. No longer it is acceptable to be mediocre. Our stakeholders are more informed and ambitious than what the scenario would have been 10 or 15 years back. The advent of technology and the accessibility becoming economical the student community live in an era of what I have termed as “information overflow”.

The Strategic Vision 2030 of Garden City University takes into consideration the changing environment in the Higher education sector and presents a five-fold approach to building a global university. We have already started working on the implementation of the Strategic Vision Plan. With a committed team and forthwith to succeed, GCU will soon make its mark as a university of global repute.

Christo Joseph FRSA

Director Strategy and Planning

Garden City University

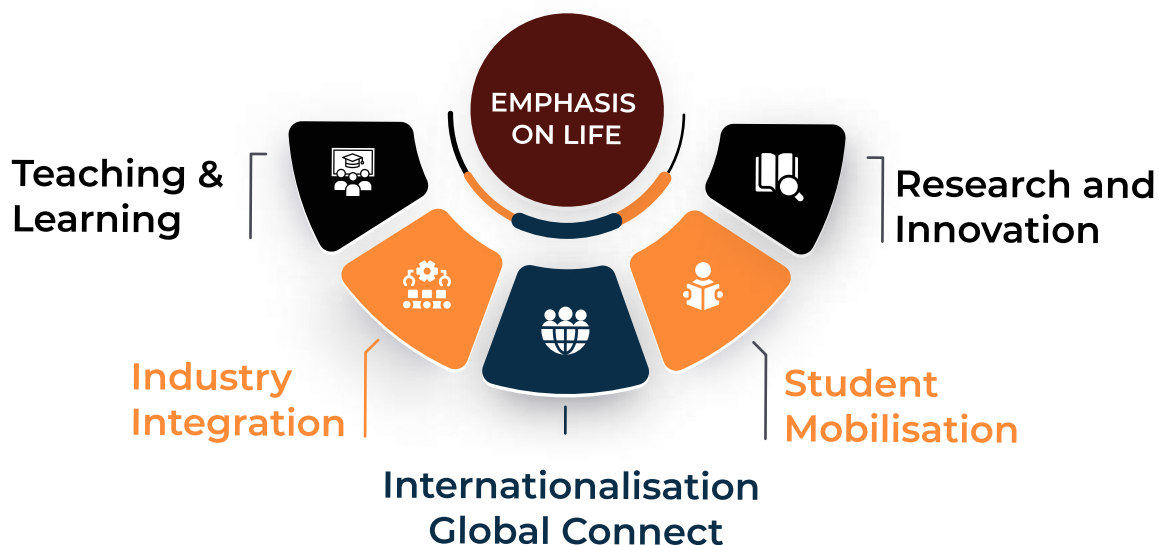


OUR MOTTO

EMPHASIS ON LIFE

A University for Learners that emphasizes on life, upholding the Emotional Quotient that it develops amongst its Learners and Teachers in the pursuit of acquiring and enhancing the Outlook Quotient which is nothing but Intelligence Quotient through all angles including peer to peer and instilling in them values through its Life Quotient initiatives in making them better human beings for the immediate society and the world at large. Thus, Emphasis on life.

FIVE APPROACHES TOWARDS BUILDING A WORLD CLASS UNIVERSITY



TEACHING AND LEARNING



Technology immersion

Online reading, video instructions and peer to peer discussion Boards



Personal Academic Advisor (PAA)

Personal Academic advisors provide intensive advising support through regular contact with their advisees. Advisors help students to explore their academic interests, identify resources for additional information and support, and develop plans of study appropriate for their educational goals.



Dynamic curriculum

The syllabus is reviewed and updated every six months based on the developments that have taken place in the corresponding industry.



Experiential learning

It is the process of learning through experience and is more specifically defined as 'learning through reflection on doing.



Learning, monitoring and creating

an environment to help slow learners, visual learners and high achievers.



Real-time simulation/Role- play/ blended learning

A technique that allows students to explore realistic situations by interacting with other people in a managed way in order to develop experience and trial different strategies in a supported environment.



Module on Employability for all students

Preparing the student step by step on how to approach a job and face the interview board.

TEACHING AND LEARNING



Jigsaw Reading Method

Students are broken down into groups. Each student within the group is assigned a specific role or task. As the group works, students contribute their role/task to the group's overall efforts. No one else in the group is doing the same task, so each student experiences a higher sense of ownership and accountability to the members of their group.



Inter-disciplinary integration

It involves a conscious effort to apply knowledge, principles, and/or values to more than one academic discipline simultaneously. The disciplines may be related through a central theme, issue, problem, process, topic or experience.



Entrepreneurship module for all students

It explores a range of different perspectives on entrepreneurship and the activities of entrepreneurs. The intention is to help students to develop an understanding, attitude and skills that will help them create and implement a business idea.

TEACHING AND LEARNING



India Fellowship Program

Curated by the GCU International Department.



International experiential capsule programs

It is the process of learning through experience by travelling beyond the borders of India.



Dual- Degree Programs

Achieving two university degrees in parallel—either at the same institution or at different institutions.



International university collaboration with every Department.



Foreign Language Labs (Starts with online class - open source)



International guest lectures and creation of International Advisors board for every department.



International Ranking application acquiring 5-star status from QS and the ranking agencies by 2025.



GCU Going Global initiative 2025

10 collaborations with world-class teaching and research universities.



Working on projects with WHO, World Economic Forum, Royal Society, OECD, World Bank, etc.



Summer School Programs for international students

STUDENTS MOBILISATION



Achieving 5000 students mark in the next 6 years.



Foundation, Diploma and Certificate Courses.



Scholarship programs
Class X to XII.



Easy and straight forward Online Application Process.



University open days for students and parents
Class VI onwards.



Alumni connect
Consolidation and re-establishment of regional chapters.



One point connect for all queries related to University admissions.



Re-connect Programs
for Alumni students to come back to University and update their knowledge.



Creating two admission cycles: June and January



Schools connect Program
Faculty and senior staff organizing school visits and masterclasses.

RESEARCH AND INNOVATION



Establishment of University research grant. (Chancellor Grant)



Incubation spaces of start-ups and established companies.



UGC and other national agencies' research proposal



GCU Innovation Lab
Demonstrate your idea and get funded.



Collaborative research with our international partners.



Go-Fund me Campaign
Showcase your research and get crowdsourced funds.



International and national seminars and workshops.



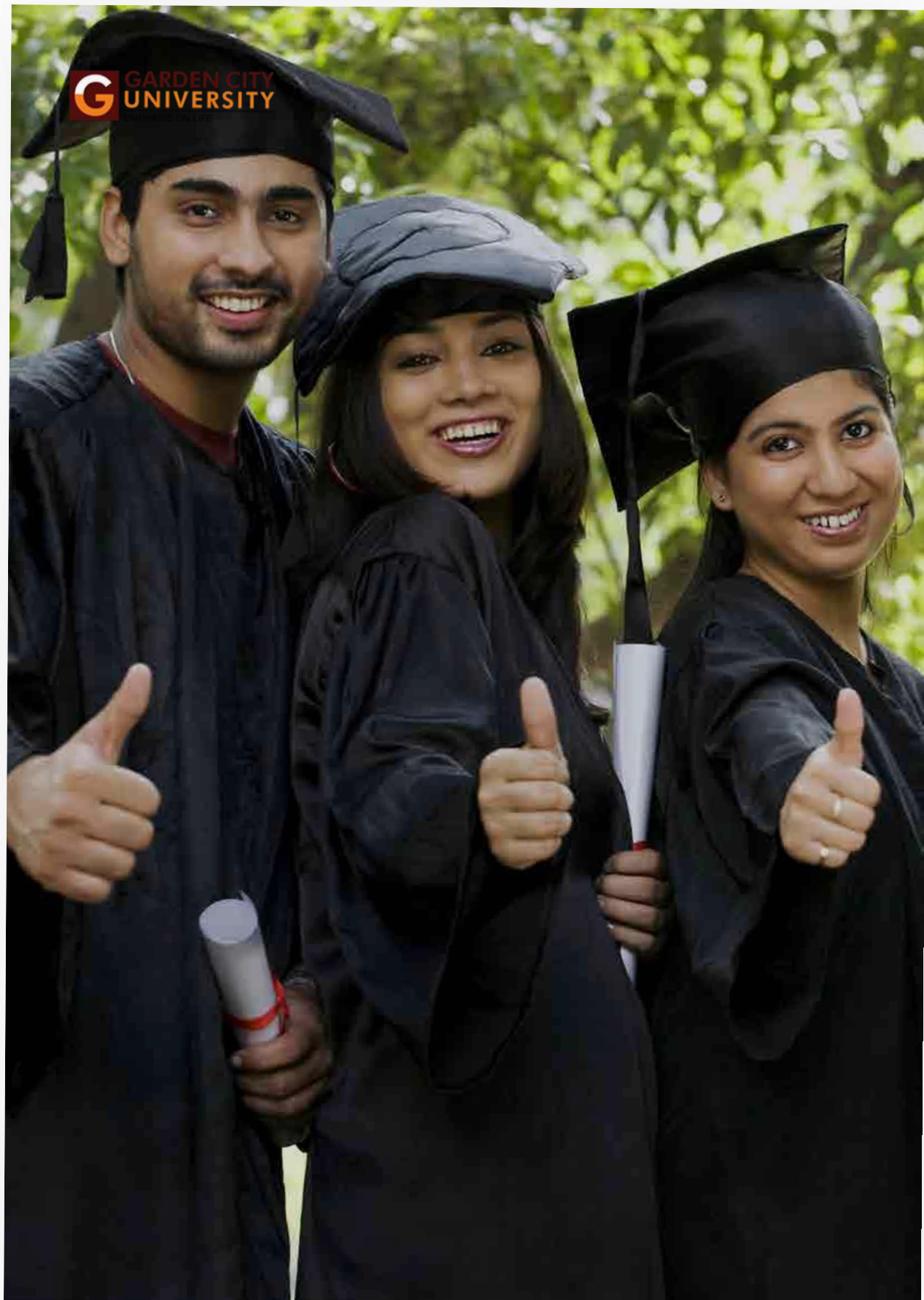
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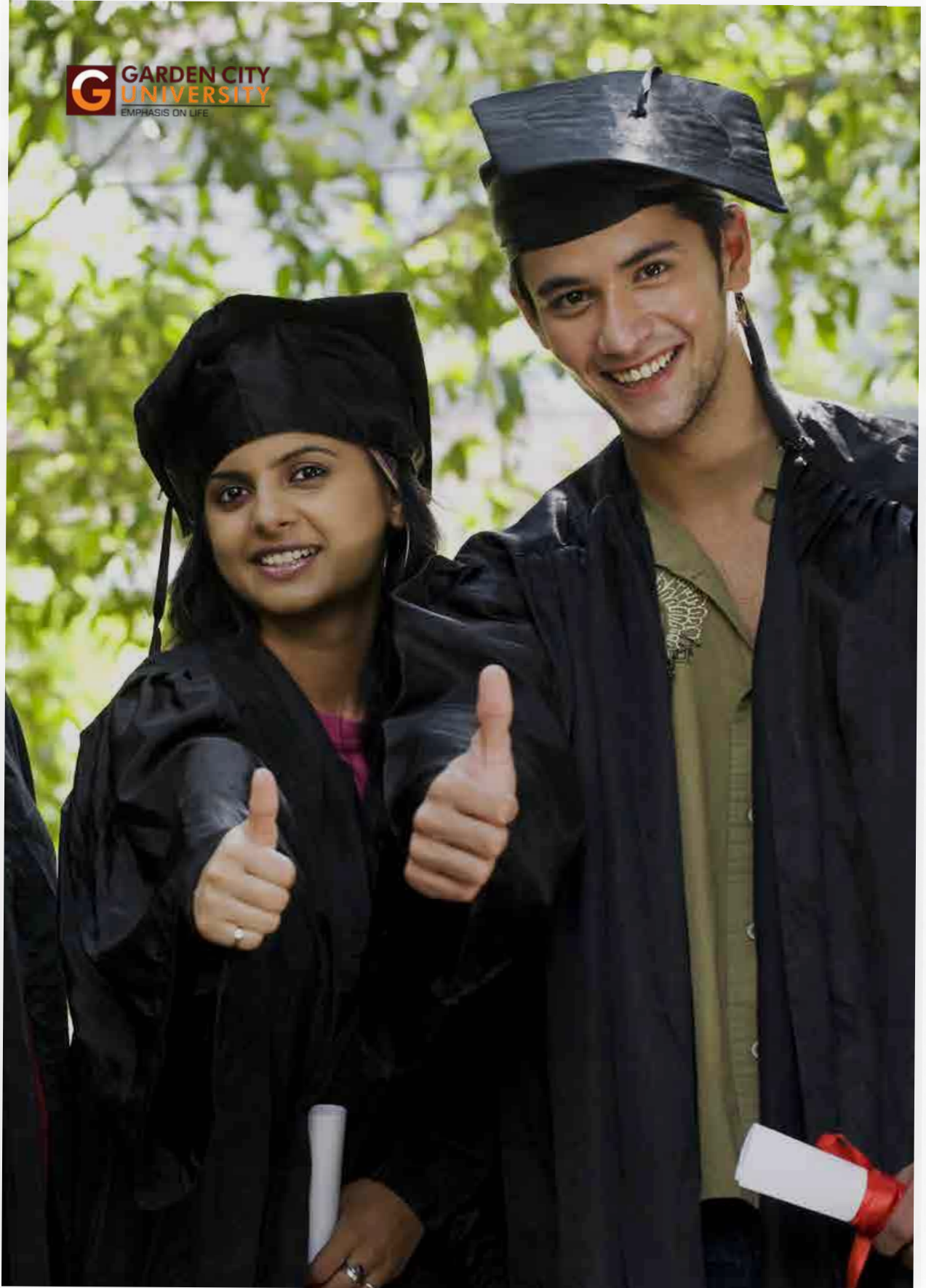


Attending international conferences and publication of papers in international and national journals.



GCU Change Makers Club
Creating a club for young researchers to collaborate and network within GCU and across the world.







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