



# Mahatma Gandhi University

## महात्मा गांधी विश्वविद्यालय

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## Alumni Policy

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### **Introduction**

Mahatma Gandhi University, Sikkim, recognizes that its alumni are invaluable ambassadors, partners, and contributors to the university's growth and reputation. The Alumni Policy establishes a structured framework for engaging with graduates, facilitating their continued association with the university, and leveraging their expertise, networks, and resources for mutual benefit.

This policy aims to create a vibrant, inclusive, and dynamic alumni community that remains connected to MGU throughout their personal and professional journeys.

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### **Vision**

To build a globally connected, engaged, and supportive alumni community that contributes to the university's excellence, promotes the welfare of current students, and upholds the values and legacy of MGU, Sikkim.

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### **Mission**

- ❖ Foster lifelong relationships between the university and its alumni.
  - ❖ Provide platforms for alumni networking, professional development, and social engagement.
  - ❖ Facilitate alumni contributions to academic, research, and institutional development.
  - ❖ Support current students through mentorship, career guidance, and scholarships.
  - ❖ Celebrate alumni achievements and promote the university's brand globally.
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### **Objectives**

- ❖ **Community Building:** Create a strong, cohesive alumni network across batches, disciplines, and geographies.
- ❖ **Engagement:** Organize regular events, reunions, webinars, and networking opportunities.

- ❖ **Mentorship:** Connect alumni with current students for career guidance and skill development.
  - ❖ **Contributions:** Encourage alumni to support the university through philanthropy, expertise, and advocacy.
  - ❖ **Recognition:** Celebrate and honor distinguished alumni achievements.
  - ❖ **Career Support:** Provide alumni with access to placement services, upskilling programs, and professional networks.
  - ❖ **Feedback & Collaboration:** Involve alumni in curriculum development, quality assurance, and institutional planning.
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## **Alumni Membership**

Any individual who has successfully completed and been awarded a degree, diploma, or certificate from Mahatma Gandhi University, Sikkim, is considered an alumnus/alumna.

### **Types of Membership**

#### **1. General Membership (Free)**

- ❖ Automatically granted upon graduation.
- ❖ Access to alumni portal, newsletters, and event invitations.
- ❖ Eligibility to participate in alumni activities and networking.

#### **2. Life Membership (Optional)**

One-time fee: Rs. 1,000

Benefits:

- ❖ Alumni ID card
- ❖ Priority registration for events and reunions
- ❖ Discounts on university facilities (library, sports, auditoriums)
- ❖ Access to exclusive career development programs
- ❖ Subscription to alumni magazine and publications

#### **3. Corporate Membership**

For alumni employed in corporate/organizational leadership roles.

Opportunity to partner with the university for recruitment, R&D, and CSR initiatives.

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## Alumni Association

The MGU Alumni Association is the official body representing the alumni community. It is governed by an elected Executive Committee and operates under the university's guidance.

### Executive Committee Structure

<b>Patron</b>	: Vice Chancellor, MGU Sikkim
<b>President</b>	: Elected from alumni
<b>Vice President</b>	: Elected from alumni
<b>Secretary</b>	: Elected from alumni
<b>Treasurer</b>	: Elected from alumni
<b>Faculty Coordinator</b>	: Appointed by the university
<b>Chapter Representatives</b>	: For regional and international chapters
<b>Student Representative</b>	: Final-year student (ex-officio)
<b>Elections</b>	: Held every two years through transparent democratic processes.

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### Key Initiatives & Activities

#### 1. Alumni Registration & Database

Comprehensive alumni database maintained through the MGU Alumni Portal: [www.mgusikkim.com](http://www.mgusikkim.com)

Alumni encouraged to update contact details, professional achievements, and areas of expertise.

#### 2. Alumni Reunions & Homecoming

Annual Homecoming: Grand reunion event held every year featuring cultural programs, award ceremonies, and networking.

Batch Reunions: Organized by individual graduating batches on milestone anniversaries (5th, 10th, 25th years).

Virtual Reunions: Online meet-ups for geographically dispersed alumni.

### 3. Mentorship Programs

- ✓ **Alumni-Student Mentorship:** Pairing alumni with current students for career guidance, skill development, and industry insights.
- ✓ **Industry Mentorship:** Alumni professionals guide students on internships, placements, and entrepreneurship.

### 4. Guest Lectures & Workshops

- ✓ Alumni invited to deliver guest lectures, conduct workshops, and share industry experiences.
- ✓ Webinar series on emerging trends, career planning, and personal development.

### 5. Alumni Awards & Recognition

#### Annual Alumni Awards Categories:

- ✓ **Distinguished Alumnus Award:** For exceptional contributions to society, profession, or nation.
- ✓ **Young Achiever Award:** For alumni under 35 years making significant impact.
- ✓ **Social Impact Award:** For contributions to community welfare and social causes.
- ✓ **Entrepreneurship Award:** For successful startups and business ventures.
- ✓ **Academic Excellence Award:** For contributions to research, teaching, and academia.

### 6. Career Services for Alumni

- ✓ Access to university placement cell for job postings and career transitions.
- ✓ Professional development workshops and certification programs.
- ✓ Networking opportunities with recruiters and industry leaders.

### 7. Alumni Scholarships & Endowments

- ✓ Alumni contributions support scholarships for deserving students.
- ✓ Establishment of endowment funds for research, infrastructure, and student welfare.
- ✓ Alumni Giving Program: Tax-deductible donations under Section 80G.

### Alumni Contributions & Support

#### How Alumni Can Contribute

#### 1. Financial Support

Donate to scholarships, research projects, infrastructure development, or general university funds.

Establish named scholarships or endowments.

## **2. Mentorship & Guidance**

Mentor current students and junior alumni.

Serve as guest faculty or industry expert.

## **3. Recruitment & Placements**

Provide internship and job opportunities to MGU students.

Participate in campus recruitment drives.

## **4. Research & Collaboration**

Collaborate on research projects and consultancy.

Support R&D initiatives through expertise or funding.

## **5. Advocacy & Branding**

Promote MGU in professional and social networks.

Refer quality students for admissions.

## **6. Volunteering**

Participate in alumni association activities and committees.

Organize events and reunions.

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## **Alumni Benefits & Privileges**

**Library Access:** Visiting alumni can access the university library with prior registration.

**Sports & Recreation Facilities:** Use of campus sports facilities at concessional rates.

**Auditorium & Conference Halls:** Discounted rental for personal/professional events.

**Continued Learning:** Enroll in certificate courses and professional development programs at alumni rates.

**Alumni Newsletter:** Quarterly publication featuring alumni stories, university updates, and opportunities.

**Networking Platform:** Access to the online alumni directory and professional networking portal.

**Career Assistance:** Resume review, job alerts, and career counseling services.