"The path seems easy, if you've got just the right boots. Education becomes amusing, if you cultivate inviolable roots."

With the commencement of this new session, we proudly welcome you to the warm, candid, and crystallizing environment of the Zakir Husain College of Engineering and Technology, AMU. Weeks of hard work have finally yielded off, and you're now a part of the community with a glorious past, mesmerizing present and a bright future.

As the saying goes-

"An education system is something that converts mirrors into windows."

ZHCET stands for the same. We don't just learn, we innovate and inspire! The atmosphere around here is a blend of fun and seriousness, emotions and robustness, tradition and openness. ZHCET has always been mentioned as an esteemed institution when it comes to talking about Aligarh Muslim University. It is our duty as ZHCETians to bring pride and prestige to the ever so charming standing of our university. As you'll move on in the journey, you'll realize that it's not only the academics that matter here. ZHCETians are dynamites in every possible area of interest. Be it hard core engineering of structures and machines, or the development of sophisticated applications, we have embarked our presence everywhere. And it's not only the engineering quotient that's bright in here. You are bound to come across singers, musicians, dancers, actors, writers, poets…..practically every genre of a lively life. In short, we'll make sure that your stay with us brings out the best in you.

As a fresher in the college, one is always in the dilemma of how things are going to fall into places in the coming days. If that's the case with you too, you just don't need to worry at all. The seniors in the college are as happening as elder brothers/sisters, always up to lay forward a friendly hand. The qualified faculty is well-versed with whatever it specializes in, and you need not worry about any kind of external help you may need when it comes to innovating something and doing the new. A productive combination of high-end labs/workshops and recreational groups will keep you busy throughout the session.

ZHCET has witnessed a number of events that prove- When it comes to competing, we just don't compromise! Our teams actively participate in cultural and technical fests organized by IITs. In fact, the last year was a year of glory when some fellow ZHCETians bore fruits in the paper presentation at IIT- B. In another chain of events, a promising group of ZHCETians come up with ZHCETs first formula car that did marvels in SAESUPRA, Chennai. While ensuring that the students have a comfortable present, the Training and Placement Cell makes sure that the future of the students is in good hands too. As a result of this, it has been able to fetch companies as high as Google and Adobe. And when it comes to off-campus placements, we're no less. A recent pass-out even managed to grab up a package worth 19.5 lacs in Amazon itself! Quite appealing indeed!

So that was the career faced approach to the college life. But the fun isn't over yet! After all, studies are not the only thing that matter! Fun is a must. A glistering line of fests will keep you moving through the years to come. Carpedium, Paradigm, Ta’ameer and the Annual College Fest-ZARF! The vibrancy of these fests will actually blow your mind!

So, with the first step in this college, we’ll make sure you go miles ahead in a journey full of fun, enlightenment, and intellect and engineering. Make sure you point bright on the canvas of knowledge in the days to come. Proud to have you all as a part of ZHCET.

Take a limitation and turn it into an opportunity. Take an opportunity and turn it into an adventure by dreaming BIG!

— Jo Franz

Welcome Freshers…..from now on a ZHCETian!

- Harsh S. Kulshrestha

IIIrd Yr CS
Mr. Naved originally being from Kolkata got the 1st position in the engineering entrance exam of AMU. As a student he was also quite active in the co-curricular activities being a member of AMU basketball team. After pursuing his BSc, he joined HCL in between 1967–1989 and then went on to pursue MS in Electrical Engineering from University of MD, College Park. He has also worked in Fortune 100 & 500 companies and has been managing his own company for last 8 years. He has also been appointed to the MD State Board of Education in 2010 and is also the Chairman of Aligarh Alumni Association, Washington DC.

**Cracking the GRE**

Various guidelines that he gave for cracking GRE are enlisted below:

- **Grades/CPI** – to be on top is of utmost importance.
- **Recommendations** – excellent recommendations from good Professors and Supervisors
- **SOP/Essay** – Statement of Purpose reflecting you, your personality and long term goal must be written in proper grammar and sentence structure.
- **Extracurricular** – it is also of very much importance, it includes Publications, research papers, projects, national competitions, debates etc.

**GRE Test:**

For admission in Fall 2015 semester, one must take GRE by September October 2014. One must plan more than 6 months. Preparations must be started early by forming a study group in 3rd year itself.

Before taking the actual GRE test one must take 2-3 timed practise tests that one should procure and score themselves honestly, only after he has prepared fully for the test and must be taken at least 2-3 weeks prior to the actual test.

**How to choose Universities?**

The combination of predicted GRE score and CPI will help to narrow the list of Universities to apply to.

**How to refine the list further?**

Apply to 1-2 Universities where ZH CET alumni have previously studied or are currently studying. Professors and Admission Officers at these Universities are knowledgeable about ZH CET and may lean favourably towards the application.

Apply to 1-2 Universities where based on the CPI and predicted GRE score, probability of admission is high.

Apply to Universities that are located closer to Urban population (higher probability of off-campus job opportunities and internships)

Apply to State Universities as compared to Private Universities as tuition fee of former is lower.

Even if the person is not admitted to the University of his choice, he can always transfer to another University after a semester; which is quite easier to accomplish.

**Scholarships:**

Tough to get in 1st semester but chances of getting in later semesters are high if the performance is good.

PhD students are preferred for scholarship (one can apply directly for PhD program)

Establish a communication channel with Professors at US Universities based upon the research interest, project and publications one has.

**CREDIT TRANSFER:**

Join a MTech Program at a reputed institution in India and pursue for 1-2 semester. Once the person has joined a US university, he can apply for credit transfer which will save tuition fees for one or more semesters.

**Contact Alumni:**

- www.facebook.com/groups/zhcetna_higherED/  
- www.facebook.com/groups/alumni.zhcet/
Students’ Achievements

Session 2013-14 was an another dynamic session for ZHCET and its students. The completing 75 years of excellence was marked by exceptional achievements from the students of ZHCET around the globe. Here is a sneak peak of the achievements.

- Baqir Ali Alvi got placed in Amazon India for a CTC of 19.5 lacs per annum.
- Taha Shiekh got selected for research internship at University of Wisconsin, Madison, under the prestigious SN Bose exchange program.
- Ankur Sharma and Utkarsha Varshney got selected for research internship in Australia National University, Canberra, Australia.
- Sagar Bhardwaj and Piyush Varshney won first prize in paper presentation competition at Techfest 14, IIT Bombay for devising an idea on ‘effective self healing for Automobile Tyres’. The Sponsor of the Event HCL Technologies showed interest in taking this idea forward to practical implementation.
- Sagar Bhardwaj published a paper in American Journal of Electrical Power and Energy Systems on ‘Regulation of effective battery charging system by solar energy using C programming and microcontroller’.
- Manav Jain bagged Most Appreciated Paper Award for the paper on ‘Electronic Fire Alarm’ at EPCECE 2014 organized at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
- Mohammad Atif Aleem was Runner up in case study competition on UK energy Scenario, organized by Statkraft at International Students Energy Summit, 2013 held in Norway.
- Mohammad Atif Aleem was the Indian Delegate at Rhodes Youth Forum 2013 held in Greece.
- Shikhar Garg, Mohammad Saad Baig and Zaid Pervez won the best presentation award at Battlefield at Techkriti’14 IIT, Kanpur.
- Salman Bin Kashif presented a poster on ‘Effect of Industrialization on Drinking Water Quality of Aligarh City’ at International Conference on Emerging Technologies in Science & technology, AISECT university.
- Naved Siraj presented a poster on ‘Analysis of TDS content in Ground water of Aligarh City’ at International Conference on Emerging Technologies in Science & technology, AISECT university.
- Faraz Islam and Ali Faraz Murtaza published a paper on ‘PLC based intelligent toll road traffic control system using Solar panel’ in UCTE.
- Mohit Dawer and Shashank Gupta won first prize in Paper presentation at Amity Youth Fest 2014 for the paper titled ‘Rochelle salt crystal synthesis and future application’.
- Adnan Alam won ‘Best Essay’ at Asian Youth Energy Summit 2014 held at National University of Singapore.
- College basketball team bagged gold medal at SPARDHA 2014, Inter college Sports Meet organized at IIT– BHU.
- Team ZHCET Formula Racing designed and manufactured a Formula one car and stood in top 20 at Supra Saeindia 2014 held at Madras Motorsport Racetrack, Chennai.
- Team Green Warriors manufactured a hybrid vehicle and participated in SAEIS Efficycle 2013 held at UIET Chandigarh. The team stood 17th in North Zone.
- Team Doers designed and manufactured a All Terrain Vehicle and participated in Baja 2014 held at NATRIP, Indore.

“I haven’t failed. I have just found 10000 ways that it won’t work.”
- Thomas Edison
Campus Diary

The Mirror

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LAST YEAR ACTIVITIES
1. Paradigm 2014
2. Industrial Visit—BHEL Haridwar
3. Workshop—RC Plane

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Know Your Clubs

SAE ZHCET

SAE stands for Society of Automotive Engineers which is a US based globally active professional association of professionals, students, researchers interested in automobile sector. ZHCET is proud to have a SAEINDIA Collegiate club which was established in 2012. The prime objective of this SAE club is to infuse the spirit of automobile in budding engineers of ZHCET through its various activities and participation in national and international events held under the umbrella of SAE. The club also organizes industrial visits at regular intervals.

Teams work and arrange everything related to project, including funds, raw materials, marketing strategies, technical aspects, inspection test credentials and much more.

ANNUAL EVENTS
1. FORMULA STUDENT
2. BAJA
3. EFFICYCLE

PREVIOUS ACHIEVEMENTS
2. Formula Student India 2015.

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ONGOING PROJECTS
2. Formula Student India 2015.

AMU Roboclub

Formed in 2008, AMU Roboclub caters to all kinds of technical needs of the ZHCETians. In the present world scenario where everyone knows how to use technology, it believes that it’s equally important to understand how to develop it. This is the principal objective of the club.

PREVIOUS ACHIEVEMENTS
1. AMU Roboclub for the first time participated in ROBOCON 13 (The biggest robotic competition of ASIA PACIFIC held annually in the months of March-April).
2. Roboclub students participated in TI-IADC 2014 and build the working model of Low Cost ECG Acquisition and Analysing System.

This vision of the club has led several members to prove their talents at many prominent events both national and international. The count of projects developed under the umbrella of AMU Roboclub has reached over 75. The Club welcomes anyone, who has the zeal to learn technology and is passionate for getting into technicalities of things. So if you are wish to get down and dirty with circuits, drills, codes and boards then this is the just the right place to be. Want to join us?

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Programmers’ Forum

Programmers’ Forum is an initiative by the Computer Engineering department. It was formed with the goal of helping students boost their programming skills and motivate them to use Free and Open Source Software (FOSS). This forum is open to the students of all branches and no registration fee is required. The forum provides a platform of interaction between seniors and juniors. The founders of the forum were Computer Engineering 2014 batch students. Present mentors of programmers forum are Abhay Mittal, Ankush Pandey (CSE Final year) and Abu Talha Danish (CSE 3rd year).

IEEE AMU

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) is the world’s largest professional association dedicated to advancing technological innovation and experience for the benefit of humanity. IEEE and its members inspire a global community through IEEE’s highly sighted publications conferences, technology standards, and professional and educational activities.

IEEE student branch, AMU aims to make every student to contribute his own bit to science and technology. Since 2010, it has been giving students the opportunity to meet and learn from fellow students, as well as faculty members and professionals in the field. It believes in building technology for people, and people for technology. The branch activities offers numerous educational, technical and professional opportunities, through various events.

PREVIOUS YEAR ACHIEVEMENTS
1. UP Section Officers Meet
2. IEEE Summer School
3. Newtonstein Zarf 14

UPCOMING EVENTS
IEEE Sight
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Studio 5

"Studio 5" is the initiative by the students of architecture, to create a platform for the improvement of the state of affairs of the dept. and to nurture and capitalize all the immense raw talent that just needs proper guidance to achieve what it was destined to achieve - success and recognition.

Bid farewell to the dark ages of internal competition, WE have arrived to propagate unity and to give a tough hand to other institutions of architecture.

www.facebook.com/groups/studio5.amu/
1. Do not try and exert any kind of ‘fake seniority’ on every second newbie you see: Things may go awkward (read deadly) if the fresher actually turns out to be a third-year, or worse, a fourth-year, who looks younger or an M.Tech first year. Hold your impulses, for this may land you with a black eye and numerous bruises.

2. Do not try to be a wise guy in front of the teachers: We are talking about men who have been in the business for ages, who have had to deal with wise guys like you every year. They have certain tricks up their sleeves, you are better off without experiencing one of those. Trust me.

3. Do not stay locked up in your rooms/hostels: remember your laptop is not your girlfriend, some unlucky girl is. Go out, feel the wind, soak in the rain, lie down and look at the stars. (ALONE!)

4. Do not buy a guitar to impress the ladies: The efforts to learn the guitar is not proportional to the accolades from the fairer-sex. Sooner or later, it will end up in your dust-bins. Do yourself a favor, don’t buy it.

5. Do not try to design an innovative new project, which will revolutionize the whole scientific scenario: Using a laptop charger as a toaster for a loaf of bread, and a ruler to spread butter does not count. Neither does keeping folded clothes beneath the bed-mattress as a means of ironing the clothes. More often than not, your helicopter won’t fly, bots won’t move, and programs won’t run. Give it a try, though. Edison failed a thousand times before discovering a bulb!

6. Do not become a ‘Devdas’: Engineering course has a common pattern. First year is about Girls, New Faces, Fresher’s party, Fests, etc etc. Second year is all Love, broken hearts, the same old faces, frustration in life. Third year onwards its only career, jobs, interns and placements. Long bearded looks, out of sheer frustration, are a strict no no!!

7. Do not be an addict: don’t play with your life: Yes, education may be injurious to health, but then so is smoking, drinking, etc. Bike stunts, car drifts, all these have a certain appeal and thrill about them. Don’t get misguided by the world, value your life above social perceptions.

8. Do not try to sneak out or sneak into the lecture hall midway: Mentos doesn’t help in real life situations. If you get caught leaving or entering the class, some more plausible explanation would be needed. Try these for best results: ‘I have a tendency of sleep walking’, ‘Just going out to take a fresh breath of air, Sir’, or ‘Uh-oh, this is not where I parked my bike’.

9. Do not become ‘that guy who attends classes even on mass bunk days!’: Believe me, you don’t want to attend a class if whole class has agreed to go a bunk. They will slaughter you, burn you alive and throw your body to dogs. No kidding. True story, bro!

10. Do not try some fancy new hairstyle the hairdresser recommends: After paying hundreds of bucks, you will end up looking like a villain from a Bhojpuri movie, not to mention the ridicule you will be subjected to by your worthless friends. (Been there, done that !)

Source-Internet & Some Imagination by Belal Ahmad Sidiqqui (III Chemical)
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h Nescafe came down the hopes of every ZHCETian who longed to grab a snack after every back breaking lecture. Thanks to the new canteen, we have access to a large variety of stuff to choose from. Although the food quality is not up to the mark but we get perks like ice creams and cold drinks to beat the summer heat.

-Areeb Ahmad, Civil(III)

The new college canteen serves us more than just canteen. It acts as a medium, where people of different branches can meet and greet each other. Where seniors get to know juniors, essentially socialize. Apart from that it has a variety of stuff compared to the previous one, burgers, hot dogs, patties and the readymade stuff. What’s more, it’s trying to introduce campa cola, in an effort to boycott all the Israeli companies. A good place to hangout.

-Asher Ahmad Faroqi, Electronics(III)

Something is better than nothing.” This line fits the present situation of new canteen. Although it is far better than that Nescafe hut but some additional steps should be taken. A water cooler and some sort of shades must be provided to avoid the scorching heat. Additionally, benches must be maintained so that students get a proper place to be seated. Perhaps increasing the number of food items and making the vending process more flexible might be helpful in getting some fruitful results. Lastly the truth is this place doesn’t need a mission statement, “At Canteen the food speaks for itself.”

-Manish Tomar, Computers(IV)

“Great relief after a long time since the Nescafe was closed. Now again we can enjoy refreshing tea or coffee between lectures gap to keep our eyes and mind open for the next hectic and boring lecture. Regarding suggestions, there should be a proper shading and water facility. Moreover the coffee and tea vending machine can be accommodated for faster service. The area around the canteen can be kept clean and hygienic by throwing the packet wrappers and bottles in the dustbin provided rather than discharging that litter on the ground.

-Shubham Parashar, Electrical(IV)

Sometimes life has everything and then something feels wrong. There is a kind of emptiness deep within, that can never be conceived for what it is but that can also never be shaken off. That is how everyone in the college had been feeling, until the day we finally found the reason behind this anonymous lump of void. Our senses wanted food, our busy class schedules required a place to relax, and our smug, boredom-infested faces itched to smile, laugh and howl savagely. Voila! The Food Parlor we had all been dreaming of lay there across the grassy lawn behind TPO building. Intricately positioned at an optimum distance from every department, and with a large enough counter to cater to the needs of even the toughest crowds, our very own ZHCET canteen was born.

-Syed Yusuf Ali, Mechanical(II)

Canteen: a synonym for fun and leisure for the college youth. Students flock together here to spend hours biting into hot food, sharing the juiciest of gossips or just to experience the simple pleasures of bunking a class. Now almost a year, Nescafe left the students desolate. But a new college cafeteria came into existence at the starting of this academic year. Tucked away in almost the heart of AMU, this new canteen is a hotspot for the mingling of people from all vocations to establish a sense fraternity among them. It provides an excellent dais for socializing. “Bhaiyya 10 ki campa dena” is a common phrase to be heard which helps to beat the scorching heat of the summer. Though the canteen has only a wide variety of junk food, it is keeping the students satisfied, if not elated.

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College Canteen after one year. How are you feeling?
Meet The Team

Founders

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Meet the guys who started “The Mirror”.

“Within 2 years The Mirror has received acclaims from Vice Chancellor Sir, PVC Sir, Alumnis and Faculty.”

We are Hiring!!!

Ever wanted to be a part of something special? Are you a writer? A Designer? A Photographer? We got vacancies for everyone. Even 1st years!!!

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- WRITER / EDITOR
- PHOTOGRAPHER
- WEB COORDINATOR
- MARKETING TEAM
- CLASS REPRESENTATIVE (For 1st Year)

Just send your CV at themirrorzhcet@gmail.com with a small paragraph (100 words) stating your reason and post by 20th September 2014.

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