

43rd ANNUAL CONVOCATION

“As leaders of the future global community, I urge you to develop sensitivity towards the ever evolving human needs and address these in a sustainable manner. And from this platform, I exhort all of you to contribute to the best of your abilities to the challenging task of nation building. I hope that you shall rise up to this noble cause and live up to the name of this university”, said His Excellency the Governor of Punjab and Chancellor of the University Shri V.P. Singh Badnore while delivering his Convocation address at the 43rd Annual Convocation of Guru Nanak Dev University on March 02, 2017 in Dasmesh Auditorium of the University.

As many as 666 degrees and 154 medals in various disciplines were conferred on students & scholars for this academic session. These include Ph.D, M.Phil., MBA, M.Tech., MCA, LL.M., M.Lib., MBE, M.Com., M.Sc., M.A., B.Tech., B.Sc., BCA, LL.B., and B.Lib. The Chancellor gave the Ph.D, M.Phil & Post-Graduate degrees while the Vice-Chancellor conferred Under-Graduate degrees to the students.

Congratulating the graduates, researchers and award & medal winners for their academic achievements, Sh. Badnore said that “today you are standing on the threshold of a new life. You must be grateful to this citadel of learning, your teachers and mentors for providing you a conducive environment that has enabled you to come this far. I am sure attaining quality education from one of the most prestigious institutions, accompanied by the core values of self discipline, endurance, focus and humility, are the real determinants of your success in professional and personal life.”

He also said these young graduates would imbibe the values of their *ALMA MATER* and work diligently to bring laurels to their institution. He also lauded the efforts of the highly competent faculty members in meticulously mentoring these young graduates.

Appreciating the academic environs of Guru Nanak Dev University, the Governor said that this institution has grown not only in terms of structure but also in stature as well over the years and has created its brand name globally. He said that as we all know, Convocation is an important milestone in the educational journey of a student. To many, it marks the end of their formal educational career and the beginning of their working life. To others it is just a stepping stone to pursue higher studies.

Concluding his Convocation address, while addressing the Alumni of this prestigious institution, he said that It was the duty of a civilized human being to express gratitude to those who have made them more than what they were. The alumni must give back to the institute from where they have imbibed quality education. Therefore, remember your institute wherever you go, contribute generously to make it stronger in the academic world, added the Chancellor. He also congratulated Prof. Brar and his staff for the multifaced developments of the University.

Vice-Chancellor, Prof. A.S. Brar welcomed Sh. Badnore and other dignitaries on this occasion. Prof. Karanjeet Singh Kahlon, Registrar of the University was coordinating the convocation. Vice-Chancellor honoured the Governor with University memento and Prof. Navdeep Singh Tung, Dean, Academic Affairs presented vote of thanks.

Earlier, Prof. A.S. Brar appraised the Chancellor about the activities and achievement of the University in the field of academics, research, culture and sports.

48th FOUNDATION DAY

Guru Nanak Dev University celebrated 48th Foundation Day on November 24, 2017 with great enthusiasm at various venues in the University campus. Academicians, scholars, students and eminent personalities participated in these celebrations and had *Guru Ka Langar* together with others arranged by the University. The first volume of “PIXELS” the monthly e-magazine of the University has also been released.

Prof. Virander S. Chauhan, Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, Prof. R.N.K. Bamezai, former Vice Chancellor, SMVDU, Katra, Jammu and Mr. Chiranjiv Singh, IAS (Retd.), President of the Alliance Francaise, Bangalore and former Ambassador of India at UNESCO, Paris participated and delivered their academic lectures on “New Challenges in Higher Education in India,” “Higher Education Quality and Governance – What could be the right path?” and on “Nanak Panth – 21st Century” respectively.

These lectures were held in the Guru Nanak Bhawan Auditorium of the University. A large number of dignitaries, teachers, employees and students were present in the auditorium. Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Jaspal Singh Sandhu welcomed the guest speakers and other guests. He also highlighted the achievements of the University. Prof. Karanjeet Singh Kahlon, Registrar coordinated the foundation day activities and Prof. Kamaljit Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs of the University proposed vote of thanks.

Prof. Virander S. Chauhan in his lecture talked about the evolution of modern education system which has its origin nearly 250 years back. He said that education for centuries has focused on philosophy and thought. Autonomy of education has been an important factor for the emergence of eminent thinkers and philosophers. However, Indian education system in the British era was limited to producing ‘Babus’ and not thinkers and philosophers. During this time higher education got linked with social status. At the time of independence, India had only 20 Universities, the number of Universities grown to about seven hundred. Over the years, education has been linked with jobs, however education is related with acquiring the ability to learn and think independently. In the last ten years, business of ranking of education institutions has started. A degree from high ranking institute is expected to provide high salary employment which should not be real goal of education.

Talking about research Dr. Chauhan said that one needs to ask a socially relevant question and then try to find answer to it by carrying out research. He encouraged the students to take up teaching as career. He said that there is no other profession as satisfying as teaching. This is the only profession where we nurture youngsters to become nation builders.

Prof. R.N.K. Bamezai said that quality and governance are the main issues in higher education. With limited resources we have to produce high quality educated masses and also ensure good governance of the educational institute. The present day, education gives the students skill sets and through these they earn their livelihood, but this is not real education. He said that we need to have a relook in the governing rules and regulations of the higher education institute where innovators are recognized and youngsters are nurtured to excel in the international arena.

Mr. Chiranjiv Singh said that ‘*Dharam*’ and ‘*Mazhab*’ are generally considered to be same but they are not. *Dharam* represent the method to achieve spiritual consciousness while *Mazhab* represent set of rules and regulations of a sect. According to Guru Nanak Dev Ji, all the Religions have one goal to achieve spiritual connection with the almighty. We should abstain from biased fundamentalist approach of the Religion. The Sikh society at times reacts to issues but does not have a structured approach towards the wisdom enshrined in Sikh religion. He said over the time the Kirtan recitation has got out of touch with the traditional system. He was very concerned about the non-preservation of Sikh architecture in the 20th century. He said in the 21st Century Sikh society should revisit the old tradition and try to reintroduce them.

The day-long celebrations began with the Bhog Sri Akhand Path at the University Gurdwara Sahib followed by the Shabad Kirtan by Bhai Shaukeen Singh, Hazoori Ragi, Sri Darbar Sahib. Guru Ka Langar was served on this occasion. In the evening, a special Kirtan Darbar was held in the evening at Sri Gurdwara Sahib of the University. *Deepmala* was also organized in the University.

A painting competition was also organized as part of these celebrations and the winners were honored by the guests. The speakers congratulated Vice-Chancellor for his dynamism and academic leadership. Prof. Sandhu honored the guest speakers with books and mementos.

SEMINARS AND FUNCTIONS 2017

JANUARY

- Awareness workshop on Smart India Hackathon 2017
- Four Week General Orientation Programme
- Three-Week Refresher Course in Research Methodology in Social Sciences
- National Voter Day
- One day symposium on Recent Trends in Chemical Sciences

FEBRUARY

- Skill-Development and Entrepreneurship Training Programme
- Hands on workshop on Obesity Control and Exercise
- National Seminar on Under Graduation in Urban and Regional Planning: Retrospects and Prospects
- National seminar on Agricultural and Rural Diversification in Punjab
- Seminar on Recent Trends for Eco restoration
- National Seminar on Recent Trends in Plant and Environmental Sciences
- National Seminar on Issues in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India
- Free Physiotherapy Camp at village Mahlan
- Conference on World Classic Literature

MARCH

- MNC's hunt talent
- National Science day
- National Seminar on Human Rights and Duties
- Workshop for Academic Administrators
- VIth National Symposium on Advances in Chemical Sciences
- Management programme TRELIS 2017
- Seminar on Computing Paradigms: Current Practices and Research Directions
- Seminar on Envisioning Indian Freedom Struggle in the Ghadar Movement
- workshop for Scholars on Business Management
- lecture on Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji's bestowed gift to Indian Culture
- Three Day workshop for Scholars on Business Management
- An outreach program to Bhagat Puran Singh Pingalwara
- Jashan-2017
- Guru Nanak Dev University honored its student-artists
- National seminar on Music and Yoga as Alternative Therapies

- National Seminar on Changing Policy Regime and Sectoral Performance of India
- Workshop on Orientation to Web 2.0 tools for effective teaching and learning” for school teachers
- An event to launch innovation lab named as ‘In-Lab’
- Special lecture on Epigenetics Control of the Genome and Its Implications for Human Diseases
- Seminar on Life and philosophy of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji in Sanskrit Literature
- Workshop on Punjabi Folk Art
- National Seminar on Enriching Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Systems in the Age of Digitalization
- National Seminar on Environmental Conservation and Health
- Seminar on Green Sense: Sustainability Guidelines in Built Environment
- National seminar on Environmental Conservation and Health
- National Seminar on Sustainable Development

APRIL

- Guest lecture by Mr Sikapale Henry Chinzewe, the Honourable Deputy High Commissioner of the Republic of Zambia
- Vermicomposting workshop on Theme: Clean Cities Green Farms
- Seminar on 'TCS: Nurturing Young Leaders
- Lecture on Water of Punjab
- Special lecture on Financial Planning and Career Opportunities in Securities Markets
- Special lecture on Tourism in Finland: Infrastructure Planning and Developmental Concerns
- Two Days Hands on Workshop on Kinesio-Taping
- Lecture on Art of Mind Control

MAY

- Lecture on Globalisation: Changing Left and Right Perspective
- Poster presentation competition organized

JUNE

- School teacher orientation workshop
- 47th Annual Sports Prize Distribution function
- Seven-Day Short Term Course on Research Methodology
- One week training program organized by ValeurHR
- Refresher Course in English
- Four-Week Orientation Programme
- Refresher Course in Research & Teaching Methodology
- International Yoga Day

JULY

- 10th Programme Advisory Committee Meeting

- Three-Week Summer Programme
- Three-Week Refresher Course in Research & Teaching Methodology
- General Orientation Programme
- Youth Leadership camp for girls
- Workshop and Faculty Development Program by TCS
- Workshop on Dissemination and review of implementation of Punjab Right to Service Act
- Hiking Tracking camp

AUGUST

- Seminar on Code Vita by TCS
- Youth Leadership Training Camp
- Training programme on Green Sense: Framework for Sustainable Development
- Teeyan festival celebrated
- Independence Day celebrated
- Book Exhibition organized
- GIAN program on Modeling Applications in Bio-processing and Food Quality/Safety Evaluation
- DISHA - a two-day Management Development Programme
- Webinar on Digital Impact Square Program of TCS
- GIAN program on Local-and Nano-Structure
- Seminar on Business Opportunities available with OLA

SEPTEMBER

- Seminar on Sri Guru Granth Sahib: Its Perspective on Cultural Diversity
- National Sports Day
- Workshop on Sri Guru Granth Sahib
- World Physiotherapy Day
- Workshop on Music, Dance and Fine Arts
- NIPER signed MoU with Guru Nanak Dev University
- Short Term Course on Gender Sensitization
- E-Transcripts web-based portal launched
- '*Sankalp Se Siddhi*' organized
- Personality Development Event - Carpe-Diem
- Physical Activity Programme organized
- Short Term Course on Gender Sensitization
- Indian Air Force organized Student interaction road drive and seminar
- A musical program '*Swar Saanjh*' was organized

- Seminar on Goods & Service Tax
- Guru Nanak Dev University honored student volunteers
- Shramdaan in the Mata Kaulan Botanical Garden
- Principals' Meeting of affiliated colleges

OCTOBER

- Homage ceremony to remember the freedom fighter Shaheed Bhagat Singh on his 110th birth anniversary
- GIAN course on Concepts in Concepts in Cancer Biology: Drug Discovery, Biochemical and Molecular Mechanism of Cancer Drugs, Clinical Implications”
- International day of Non-Violence
- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- Online Service Portals launched
- Workshop on “Personality Development & Interview Techniques
- Let's Rock-Activity clubs inaugurated
- Special lectures on the importance of sports nutrition and High Quality compounding of manufactured sterile drugs
- Panel Discussion and Book Release '*Ramrajya, The People's Welfare State*'
- National Unity Day

NOVEMBER

- An exhibition of handicrafts and garments made by students 'Sirjana' organized
- 48th Inter-College Athletics (M&W) Meet
- Vigilance Awareness Week
- Clean Campus Campaign
- Discussion on 'The Quest Continues: Lost Sikh Heritage- The Sikh Legacy in Pakistan'
- Maiden management fest “EXORDIUM-2k17”
- Three-Week Refresher Course for Teacher Educators
- Blood Donation Camp
- Go Green club of GNDU celebrated Children's Day
- The first volume of e-magazine “PIXELS” released
- College Development Council Portal launched
- Identity cum Debit Cards distribution inaugurated
- National Seminar on 'Life and Guru Nanak Dev's Philosophy of Life: Contemporary Context'

DECEMBER

- Special programme 'Saaz-e-Kayenaat'
- Four-Week Orientation Programme-103

- Workshop on Data Preparation and Testing of Hypothesis
- Birth Annivesary of Bhai Dr. Vir Singh
- GIAN (Global Initiative of Academic Networks) course on *Histories of City Planning*
- Refresher Course in E-Resources & ICT in Teaching and Research
- Four-Week Orientation Programme
- Bhai Vir Singh Flower and Plants Exhibition
- Eyeing to enhance mutual cooperation, GNDU--SGRDIMSR sign MoU
- Symposium on Sri Guru Gobind Singh ji and his legacy
- Four Week Orientation Programme

VISITORS TO THE UNIVERSITY

1. Dr. R. S. Rathore, Director & Regional Officer All India Council For Technical Education, North Western Regional Office, Chandigarh & Prof. Rajneesh Arora, former Vice Chancellor, IK Gujral Punjab Technical University, Jalandhar visited during Awareness Workshop on Smart India Hackathon on 4 January, 2017.
2. Prof. N. Sathymurthy, Director, IISER, Mohali, Prof. R.N. Mukharjee, Director IISER Kolkata, Prof. V.K. Singh IISER Bhopal, Prof. C.L. Khetarpal, Prof. Ravi Shankar from IIT Delhi and Prof. A.C. Kunwar from IICT Hyderabad visited the University during one day symposium on Recent Trends in Chemical Sciences organized by Department of Chemistry on January 27, 2017.
3. Dr.D.S. Meshram Retd., Chief Town Planner, TCPO, New Delhi visited the University during National Seminar on 'Under Graduation in Urban and Regional Planning: Retrospects and Prospects' by Guru RamDas School of Planning on February 13, 2017.
4. Prof. Pradeep Bhargav, Director, G.B. Pant Institute of Social Science, Allahabad visited the University during national seminar on 'Agricultural and Rural Diversification in Punjab' hosted by Punjab School of Economics on February 17, 2017.
5. Prof. U.K. Sarkar from CIFRI, Calcutta, Prof. B.D. Joshi from Gurukul Kangri Mahavidhalaya, Haridwar; Prof. S.S. Hundal from PAU, Ludhiana and Prof. Jagbir Singh from Panjabi University, Patiala visited the University during a seminar on "Recent Trends for Eco restoration" by the Department of Zoology on February 20, 2017
6. Dr. Rukmini Banerji, CEO, Pratham Education Foundation visited the University during two-days Seminar on "Issues in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India" by The School of Social Sciences on February 23, 2017.
7. His Excellency the Governor of Punjab and Chancellor of the University Shri V.P. Singh Badnore visited the University during 43rd Annual Convocation on March 02, 2017.
8. World known scientist Dr. Ayyappanpillai Ajayaghosh, Distinguished Scientist & Director, CSIR-NIIST Trivandrum visited the University during VIth National Symposium on Advances in Chemical Sciences by the department of chemistry on March 07, 2017.
9. Prof. Bharat H. Desai, from Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi visited the University during National Seminar on 'Human Rights and Duties' organized by the Department of Political Science on March 07, 2017.
10. Mr. Rahul Seth (New Diamond Fab Trends Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Sunil Kumar (IOC), Mr. Ajay Dhawan (Unique Lubricants, Amristar) Mr. Kawaljit Singh (Freedom Group of Industries), Dr. Deepika Sharma & Mr. Gurmeet Singh (Fortis, Amritsar), Mr. Joginder Singh (Asia Pacific Operations), Mr. Ravinder Pal Chawla (General Manager, Dr. Om Parkash Eye Institute (P) Ltd.) and Mr. Bikramjeet Singh (Value HR) visited the University during a programme "TRELLIS 2017" organized by University Business School on March 08, 2017.
11. Prof. Lalit Kumar Awasthi, Director, Dr. BK Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar; Prof. Arvinder Kaur from University School of IT, GGS IP University, Delhi; Ms. Bimaljit Kaur from the TCS, Dr. Maninder Singh from Thapar University, Patiala and Mr. Gaurav Batra from Mondelez International, Mumbai visited the University during National Seminar on the theme of "Computing Paradigms: Current Practices and Research Directions organized by Department of Computer Science on March 09, 2017.
12. Professor Harbhajan Singh, Director Bhai Balbir Singh center on studies, Punjabi University, Patiala visited the University during a lecture on "Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji's bestowed gift to Indian Culture" organized by Guru Nanak Studies Department on March 16, 2017.

13. Prof. P.K. Chubey, Senior Consultant, Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi and President, India Economic Association and Prof. R.K. Sharma from Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi visited the University during National Seminar on Changing Policy Regime and Sectoral Performance of India organized by the Punjab School of Economics on March 17, 2017.
14. Prof. S.S. Gill, former Vice-Chancellor, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot and Prof. Keshav Sharma, Eminent & Educationist Music & Yoga Therapists visited the University during national seminar on Music and Yoga as Alternative Therapies by the Music Department on March 21, 2017.
15. Professor Amarendra Behra from CIET, NCERT; Mr. Himanshu Tiwari, Head, Project fulfilment, IL&FS; Mr. AnoopRawat, Senior Consultant, Learning Links Foundation visited the University during Workshop on "Orientation to Web 2.0 tools for effective teaching and learning" for school teachers organised by Department of Education on March 20, 2017.
16. Dr. Shiv I.S. Grewal, a distinguished investigator from National Institute of Health, USA visited the University during a special lecture on Epigenetics Control of the Genome and Its Implications for Human Diseases by the The Department of Human Genetics on March 22, 2017.
17. Eminent scholars, Dr. Mahesh Gautam Dr. Dev Datt Bhatti Dr. Lekh Ram Sharma Visited the University during National Seminar on the "Life & Philosophy of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji" as depicted in the Sanskrit Literature organised by the Department of Sanskrit on March 24, 2017.
18. Prof. K. Ramachandran, Advisor, India-Africa Institute of Educational Planning and Administration to NUEPA; Prof. Mohammad Miyan, Former Vice Chancellor, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad visited the University during National Seminar on "Enriching Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Systems in the Age of Digitalization" on March 28, 2017.
19. Prof. Anita Mukherjee from the Deptt. Botany, University of Calcutta, Kolkata; Prof. Yashpal Sharma ,Head, Department of Botany, Jammu University and Prof. Ravindra Raina from Dr.YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Solan visited the University during National Seminar on Environmental Conservation and Health by The Department of Botanical and Environmental Sciences on March 28, 2017.
20. Ms. Anumita Roy Chowdhury, Executive Director, CSE visited the University during seminar on Green Sense: Sustainability Guidelines in Built Environment organized by the Faculty of Physical Planning and Architecture of Guru Nanak Dev University in collaboration with Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi on March 28, 2017.
21. Dr. Rajinder Kumar, Professor, NIT Kurukshetra visited the University during national seminar on "Sustainable Development" organised by the University Business School of Guru Nanak Dev University on March 28, 2017.
22. Dr. Paramjit Singh, Director, Botanical Survey of India (BSI), Calcutta visited the University during National seminar on "Environmental Conservation and Health" organized by Department of Botanical and Environmental Sciences on March 29, 2017.
23. Mr. Varun Kapur, Vice-resident, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Head of Middle East and Africa Geography visited the University during seminar on 'TCS : Nurturing Young Leaders at Guru Nanak Dev University organized by Placements Department of the University on 3 April, 2017.
24. Prof. A V Geen from Department of Environmental Sciences, Columbia University, New York, USA visited the University during academic lecture organized by Botanical and Environmental Sciences of Guru Nanak Dev University on 5 April, 2017.
25. Mr. Jitendra Kumar, Faculty Member, School of Regulatory Studies and Supervision, National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) visited the University during a special lecture on Financial Planning and Career Opportunities in Securities Markets by the Commerce Department of Guru Nanak Dev University on 11 April, 2017.

26. Minna-Maaria Hiekkataipale, Head, Department of Tourism and Hospitality, JAMK University of Applied Sciences, Finland visited the University during a guest lecture by on the topic Tourism in Finland: Infrastructure Planning and Developmental Concerns organized by Guru Ramdas School of Planning of the University on 17 April, 2017.
27. Mr Sikapale Henry Chinzewe, the Honourable Deputy High Commissioner of the Republic of Zambia visited the University during a special guest lecture organized by Guru Ramdas School of Planning of Guru Nanak Dev University on 26 April 2017.
28. Ambassador of South Korea to India H.E. Hyun Cho visited the University during a special lecture on 'Rising India-Korea's Contribution' on May 5, 2017.
29. Mrs Rupa Saini, Arjuna Awardee (Hockey) visited the University during 47th Annual Sports Prize Distribution Function on 29 May, 2017.
30. Prof. M.P.S. Ishar, founder Vice-Chancellor, Maharaja Ranjit Singh State Technical University, Bathinda visited the University during a Refresher Course in Research & Teaching Methodology on 20 June 2017.
31. Prof. D. N. Singh IIT Bombay, Prof. J. H. Arakeri IISc Bangalore, Prof. P. P. Mazumdar IISc Bangalore, Prof. Ananth Ramasamy IISc Bangalore, Dr. Ligy Phillip IIT Madras, Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer Distinguished Emeritus Professor (AcSIR) Chennai, Prof. Souvik Bhattacharyya Senior Professor & Vice - Chancellor, BITS Pilani, Prof. T. Sundararajan IIT Madras, Prof. Sunil Pandey Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, Prof. Harish Hirani ,Director, CMERI Durgapur, Sh. S. S. Kohli Scientist-G, Programme Coordinator. SERB/DST, Dr. Pankaj Kumar Rawat Scientist-C, Member Secretary SERB/DST and some Principal Investigators visited the University during 10th programme advisory committee meeting organized in the Placement Department of the University on 30 June 2017.
32. Mr. Varun Saxena and Ms. Bimaljeet Kaur alongwith Mr. Rajit Sikka (Academic Manager North) from Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), New Delhi visited the University during Faculty Development Program (FDP) and Student Workshop on 19 July 2017.
33. Mr. Jagdeep Singh Cheema, Hon'ble Commissioner and Mr. Pankaj Kumar Mahajan, Hon'ble Commissioner visited the University during a workshop on Dissemination and review of implementation of Punjab Right to Service Act 2011 on 21 July 2017.
34. Dr. Vishwa Raman Nirmal, Head, Pepsico Limited, Asia; Dr. Kanwaljit Singh, Professor, Gurmat Sangeet Department, Punjabi University, Patiala; Dr. Arun Mishra, eminent personality and Vikramjit Singh, Play Director and Sh. Manmohan Bawa, World Famous Tracker & Novelist visited the University during a Youth Leadership Training Camp organized at Students Holiday Home, Dalhousie hosted by the Department of Youth Welfare of the University on August 08, 2017.
35. Giani Joginder Singh Vedanti, former Jathedar, Sri Akal Takht Sahib; Bhai Ashok Singh Bagrian and Dr. Mohinder Singh, Director, Bhai Vir Singh Sahit Sadan visited the University during seminar on 'Sri Guru Granth Sahib: Its Perspective on Cultural Diversity' organized by the Centre on Studies in Sri Guru Granth Sahib on September 01, 2017.
36. Giani Joginder Singh Vedanti, former Jathedar, Sri Akal Takht Sahib visited the University during a Workshop on 'Sri Guru Granth Sahib' organized by the Centre on Studies in Sri Guru Granth Sahib of the University on September 06, 2017.
37. Professor Raghu Ram Rao, Director, NIPER, Mohali visited the University during MoU with National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) Mohali on September 12, 2017.
38. A delegation comprising of Ms Tracey Macmillan, Assistant Director, Country Information Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia, Mr. Siddhartha Chakrabarti, Assistant Director, South and West Asia Division, India Political Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia and Ms Vanessa Voss, First Secretary (Economic), Australian High Commission, New Delhi visited the University on September 18, 2017.

39. Eminent Sitar Maestro Pandit Prateek Chaudhuri from Seniya Gharana visited the University during a musical program '*Swar Saanjh*' organized by the Department of Music of the University in collaboration with SPIC MACAY chapter in Amritsar on September 20, 2017.
40. Eminent theatre personality, Sh. Jatinder Brar & Renowned Drama Artist, Sh. Suresh Pandit visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of 'D' Zone on September 21, 2017.
41. Mr. Vipin Khanna, Provident Fund Commissioner, Amritsar visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of Govt/Constituent Colleges & Associate Institutes on September 28, 2017
42. Prof. Rajendra G. Mehta, a renowned scientist in the field of cancer chemoprevention, from Illinois Institute of Technology and IIT Research Institute, Chicago (USA) visited the University during GIAN course on "Concepts in Cancer Biology: Drug Discovery, Biochemical and Molecular Mechanism of Cancer Drugs, Clinical Implications" organized by The Department of Botanical & Environmental Sciences on September 26, 2017.
43. Dr. Tejbir Singh, Principal, Govt. Medical College, Amritsar & S. Jagjit Singh Walia, ADCP Headquarter Amritsar visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of Educational Colleges on October 03, 2017.
44. S. Jatinderpal Singh, XEN, Civil Lines, PSPCL, Hall Gate, Amritsar and famous comedian Mr. Rajiv Thakur alumni of University visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of Educational Colleges of Guru Nanak Dev University on October 05, 2017.
45. S. Sandeep Singh Sandhu, OSD, CM, Punjab & Mrs. Tejinder Kaur Chhina, Director, Little Follower School, Harsa Chhina visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of 'A' Zone of Guru Nanak Dev University October 17, 2017.
46. Sh. Amrik Singh Puar, DCP and Mrs. Jagir Kaur, Advisor, Nari Chetna Manch, Amritsar visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of 'B' Zone of Guru Nanak Dev University on October 24, 2017
47. S. Amanjit Singh, Director, 2B Inovations, Dubai; Founder, Social and Environmental Welfare Association and Founder, Sarbat da Bhala, Dubai; Dr. Amandeep Kaur, Director, Amandeep Hospital, Amritsar and S. Amandeep Singh Sidhu, Founder Young Bhangra Club, Calgary visited the University during Zonal Youth Festival of Final Inter-Zonal on October 31, 2017.
48. S. Harbhajan Singh, "Nishkam Sikh Welfare Council, New Delhi visited the University during a workshop on "Personality Development & Interview Techniques" organized in the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Bhawan of the University on October 14, 2017.
49. Professor Klaus-Peter Herm and Dr. Andreas Herm both from Institute of Exercise and Sports Anthropology, Germany visited the University during two special lectures on the importance of sports nutrition & period of training on the sports performance of the youth and High Quality compounding of manufactured sterile drugs organized by the Department of Sports Medicine and Physiotherapy of the Guru Nanak Dev University on October 18, 2017.
50. Mr. Jagmohan Singh Raju, IAS Additional Chief Secretary, Tamil Nadu visited the University during Panel Discussion and Book Release entitled 'Ramrajya, The People's Welfare State' on October 30, 2017.
51. Dr. Navjot Kaur Sidhu, former Parliamentary Secretary, Health, Punjab; S. Ranjit Singh Gandiwind, General Secretary, Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee and Dr. Jaswinder Singh Sandhu, OSD to S. Navjot Singh Sidhu, Minister of Local Bodies and Tourism and Cultural Affairs visited the University during Final Inter-Zonal Youth Festival of Guru Nanak Dev University on November 03, 2017.
52. Singh Sahib Giani Joginder Singh Vedanti & Eminent scholar, Prof. Harpal Singh Pannu from Punjabi University, Patiala visited the University during two days National Seminar on 'Life and Philosophy of Guru Nanak's Bani: Modern Perspective' organized by Department of Guru Nanak Studies of Guru Nanak Dev University on November 22, 2017

53. Prof. Virander S. Chauhan, Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, Prof. R.N.K. Bamezai, former Vice Chancellor, SMVDU, Katra, Jammu and Mr. Chiranjiv Singh, IAS (Retd.), President of the Alliance Francaise, Bangalore and former Ambassador of India at UNESCO, Paris visited the University during 48th Foundation Day on November 24, 2017.
54. Prof. R.N.K. Bamezai, former Vice-Chancellor, Sri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, J & K visited the University during Three-Week Refresher Course in E-Resources & ICT in Teaching & Research organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre of Guru Nanak Dev University on November 27, 2017.
55. Prof. (Dr) Nezar Al Sayyad from Department of Architecture, City and Regional Planning, University of California, Berkley, USA visited the University during GIAN (Global Initiative of Academic Networks) course on *Histories of City Planning organized by the* Guru Ramdas School of Planning of the University December 11, 2017.
56. Dr. A.P. Singh, Director Sri Guru Ramdas Institute of Medical Sciences & Research Amritsar visited the University during Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between Guru Nanak Dev University and Sri Guru Ramdas Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Amritsar on 20 December 2017.
57. S. Navjot Singh Sidhu, Cabinet Minister for Local Bodies, Govt. of Punjab; Prof. Prithipal Singh Kapoor, former pro-vice-Chancellor; Prof. Gurinder Singh Mann, Santa Barbra of California, USA and Visiting Professor Gurbir Singh Brar (USA) visited the University during a Symposium on Sri Guru Gobind Singh ji and his legacy organised in collaboration with the Govt. of Punjab to celebrate the conclusion celebration of 350th birth anniversary of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji on December 22, 2017.