LOYOLA INSTITUTE FOR CAREER ADVANCEMENT (LICA)

Summer Institute was started in the year 1973 by Rev.Fr.Machado s.j., to train Pre-university (PUC) catholic students for entry into Professional Courses. The Arch-Bishop of Madras- Mylapore Rev. Dr. Arulappa and eminent Catholics like Shri.Pignora extended financial Assistance. Since then, Ignatian Institute has been catering to all the students irrespective of caste and creed in preparing them for competitive exams and preparatory courses.

The training program had undergone a period of dormancy with the transfer of the Architect Rev.Fr. Machado s.j., Once again in 1982, with the arrival of Fr. Machado s.j, the program was rejuvenated and free education was given.

From 1984 onwards, a nominal fee was collected from all the catholic students with the full fee concession for the children of teaching and non-teaching staff members of Loyola College. The money collected was fully utilized to provide them snacks. With the aim to provide the essential study materials, the fee structure was modified and enhanced on a NO PROFIT NO LOSS BASIS. Although the Institute was primarily meant for Catholics, it started admitting students irrespective of caste, creed and region mainly with a view of serving the student community as a whole.

The Institute was named as Ignatian Summer Institute in the year 1992 and has undergone a progressive metamorphosis, getting a permanent office and conducting regular training programme for the higher secondary students. The credit goes to Dr. A. Victor Devadoss, then Director, Course Co-coordinators and the experienced staff members of various departments.
In 1998, to conduct more courses, the Institute was renamed as Ignatian Institute for Career Development and subsequently courses like CA, ICWA, ACS, Civil Services - IAS/IPS, coaching classes were introduced under the administration of Dr. S. Vincent. More thrust was given to Civil Services Coaching. Dr. Jerome Das, the previous director, took initiative to start TANCET classes.

Till date, the service rendered by the institute is progressing with a team of dedicated teaching fraternity with expertise, an efficient team of Non-teaching staff and with the valuable guidance of Loyola Jesuit Management.

The name has been changed to Loyola Institute for Career Advancement (LICA) but people still remember it as Ignatian Institute for Career Development.
The ongoing courses are CA- CPT, Civil services (IAS/IPS), UGC NET-CSIR, (SLET) and XAT, TANCET coaching classes.

In an effort to GO GREEN and with the computers, we are conducting online testing to enable the students to perform well in their competitive examinations. Avoidance of paper and question paper for every test has reduced the cost involved and improvement in student’s performance is assurance as the clock runs on the screen while the test is on.

We propose to extend our services to the student community by conducting classes for all entrance and Competitive exams like, IELTS, TNPSC, RRB, CAT, IIT-JEE and also Hindi courses at basic (Prathmic) level for desiring Students.