



PLAKSHA  
UNIVERSITY

# STUDENT OUTCOMES REPORT

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# | FOREWORD



Plaksha University was founded on a simple yet ambitious belief that India needs a new kind of engineering education; one where technology, human values, and real-world problem solving come together. Built in partnership with industry, academia, and society, Plaksha is a young university shaped by experimentation, collaboration, and constant learning. When the students of our founding cohort chose Plaksha, they placed their faith in an idea still taking shape, an idea that higher education in India could be interdisciplinary, future-facing, and deeply connected to solving grand challenges. Their outcomes today affirm that belief.

Through this cohort today, I can say with confidence that we offer the world 81 young technology leaders shaped by curiosity, responsibility, and a thoughtful engagement with complexity. They have learned to work across disciplines, to ask meaningful questions, and to apply technology with intent and care.

As they step forward, they carry with them the spirit of a university that values depth over haste and purpose over convenience. In their journeys ahead, they reflect what Plaksha hopes to contribute to the world: leaders who build with imagination, act with judgment, and remain grounded in what truly matters.

**Dr. Rudra Pratap**  
Vice Chancellor  
Plaksha University

# FOREWORD



It is with immense pride and a sense of accomplishment that we publish this report highlighting 100% placements achieved by students of our founding undergraduate cohort looking for industry roles.

A 4 -year rigorous journey incorporating an interdisciplinary engineering curriculum with a significant component of experiential learning and dedication to academic excellence enabled our newly minted graduates to confidently secure roles working with cutting edge technology in domains encompassing Data Science / Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning/ Software Development/ Data Engineering / Business Analysis etc. in companies across sectors like Big Tech/ Startups/ Consulting / GCC/ BFSI etc. Many students have chosen the path of Research/ Academia and enrolled at leading global universities whereas some have launched their own entrepreneurial ventures.

We are truly grateful to the corporates and institutes who believed in our vision and capabilities of our students by offering internships, projects, mentorship, placements and more to the cohort.

This outstanding outcome would not have been possible without the ongoing support of the Plaksha community - founders, faculty, mentors, alumni, executives and the commitment and dedication of the team at the Office of Corporate Partnerships and Careers.

We look forward to continued collaboration with our partners and contributing to the evolving needs of the nation's talent ecosystem by graduating technology leaders who are curious, thinkers, builders and problem solvers working at the intersection of technology and business with a focus on long-term impact and innovation.

## **Srabani Ghosh**

Head, Office of Corporate Partnerships and Careers  
Plaksha University

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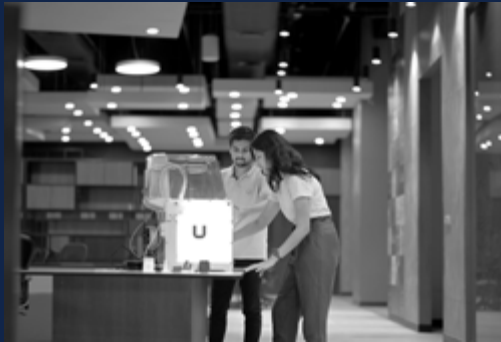
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# OUR JOURNEY

Plaksha University is a collective philanthropy initiative by a global community of leaders, envisioned as a technology university of the future. Our interdisciplinary pedagogy fosters academic rigor, critical thinking, and collaboration, preparing students to be tech leaders who will tackle real world challenges with confidence and innovation.

# The 3 Key Pillars



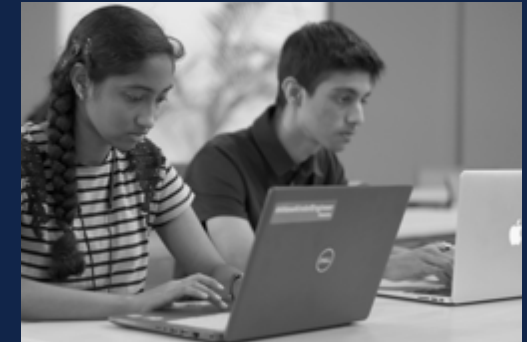
## Reimagining Technology Education

Interdisciplinary curriculum integrating technology, social sciences and design. Hands-on pedagogy and focus on self-development



## Enabling research and innovation ecosystem

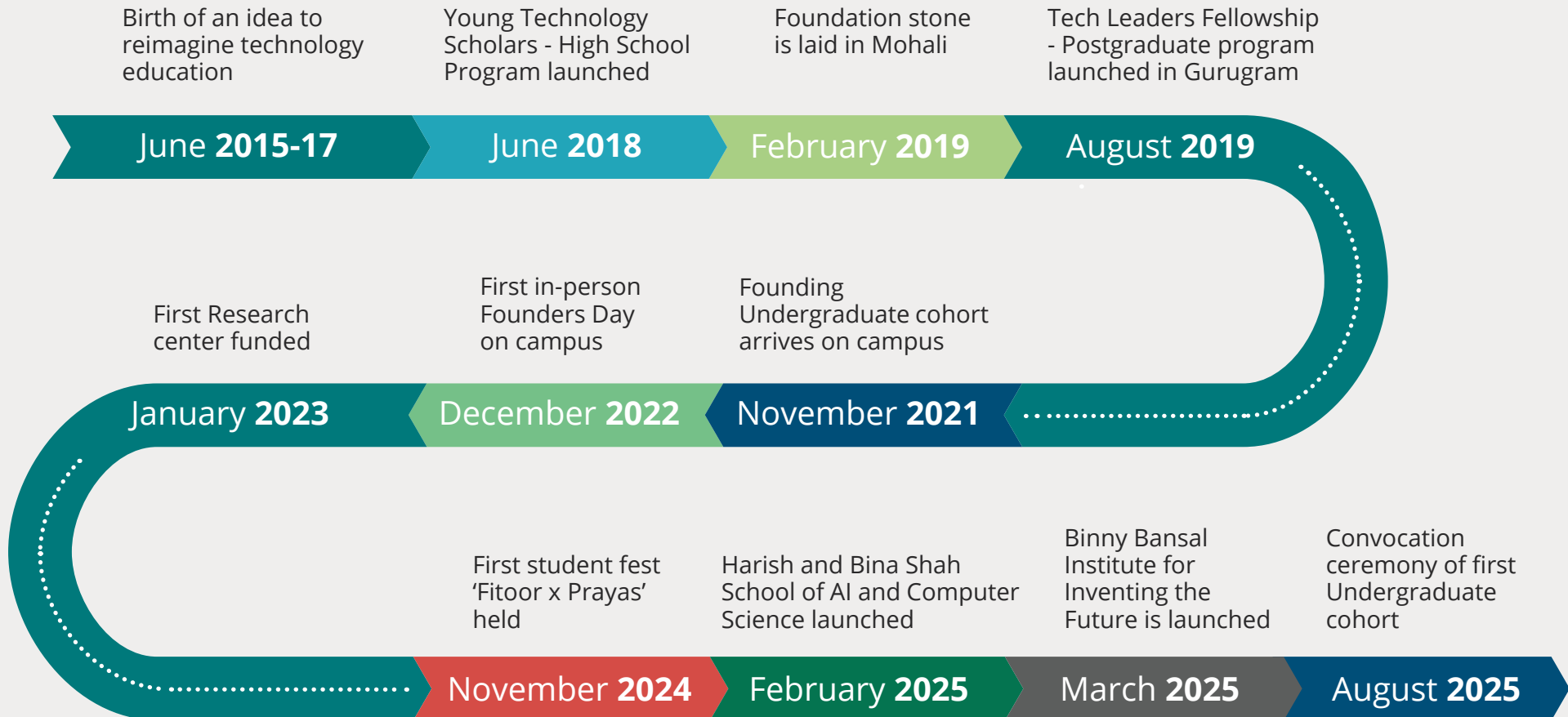
Entrepreneurial mindset in faculty and students, innovation culture and enabling ecosystem, mentorship and networks



## Addressing Grand Challenges

Thematic research centers with industry, government and academia collaboration; shared core lab infrastructure

# Milestones and Growth



# OUR COMMUNITY



# Backed by Visionaries

Plaksha was founded by a **group of 130+** entrepreneurs, industry leaders, and corporates to reimagine technology education in the country.



# Global **Academic Network**

We collaborate with top global institutions through joint programs, research, and faculty exchange.

- Curriculum development
- 4+1 Program partnership
- Student internships
- Faculty mobility
- Research collaborations



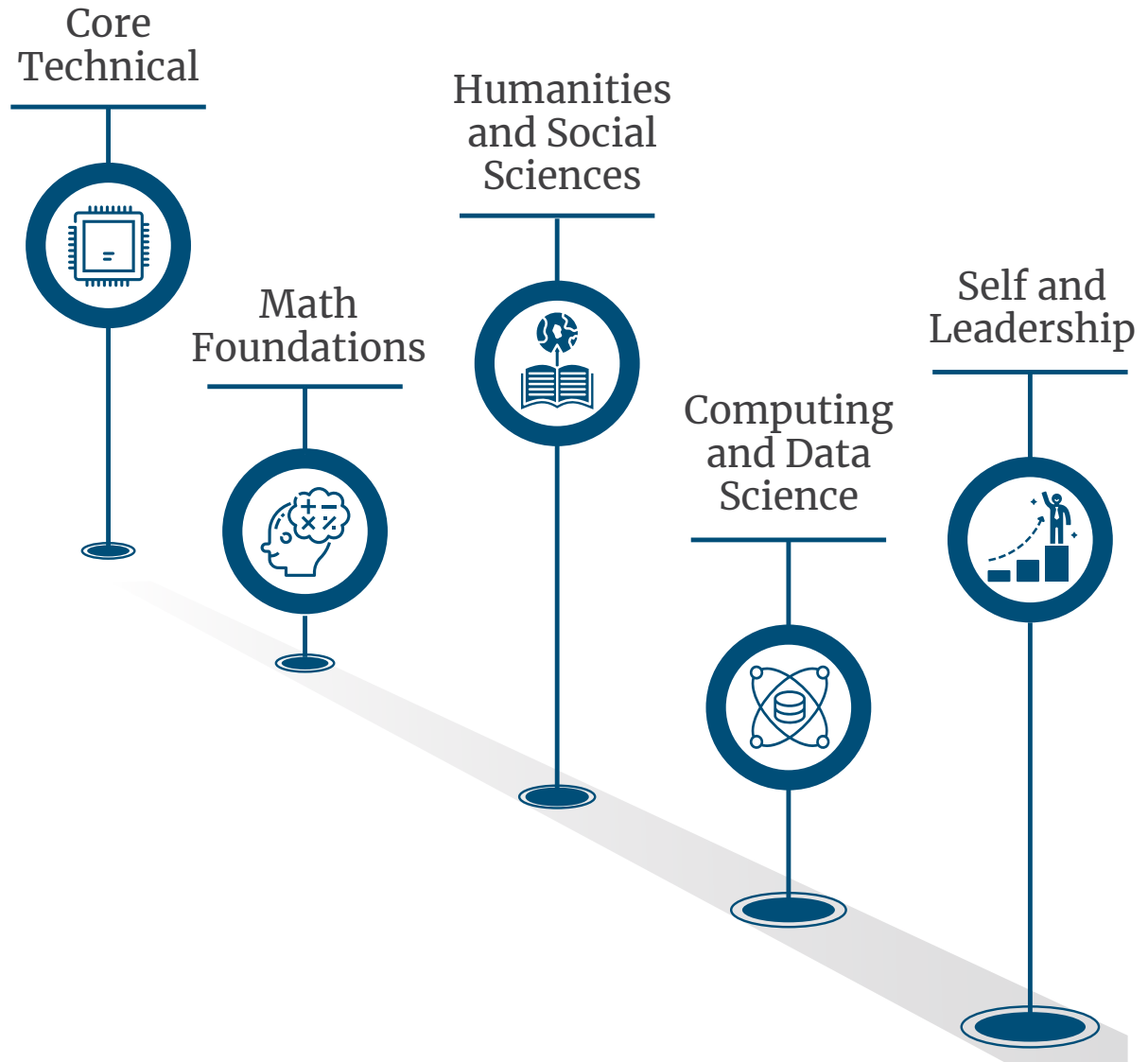
# OUR PROGRAMS

reimagine

# Curriculum Philosophy - **Freshmore Model**

All students follow a unified interdisciplinary curriculum in the first 3 semesters - covering foundational STEM, humanities, economics, design thinking, and communication - enabling them to become technically capable, interdisciplinary problem-solvers who can communicate, lead, prototype and pursue industry roles, or entrepreneurial or research paths.

Broadly, the courses can be categorized into the following buckets



# Interdisciplinary **BTech Majors**



## **Biological Systems Engineering**

Merges biology, computing, and engineering for healthcare and sustainability



## **Data Science, Economics & Business**

Combines data science with finance, policy, and economics



## **Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence**

Focus on algorithm design, AI systems, sensory and cognitive computing



## **Robotics & Autonomous Systems**

Integrates AI with electronics and mechanical systems for robotics

# CLASS OF 2025



# | Class of 2025



**81**  
Graduates



**41**  
Computer Science  
and Artificial  
Intelligence



**23**  
Data Science,  
Economics  
and Business



**10**  
Biological  
Systems  
Engineering



**7**  
Robotics and  
Autonomous  
Systems



**~35%**  
Women  
Students



Students came  
from **43**  
different cities



**20**  
different States

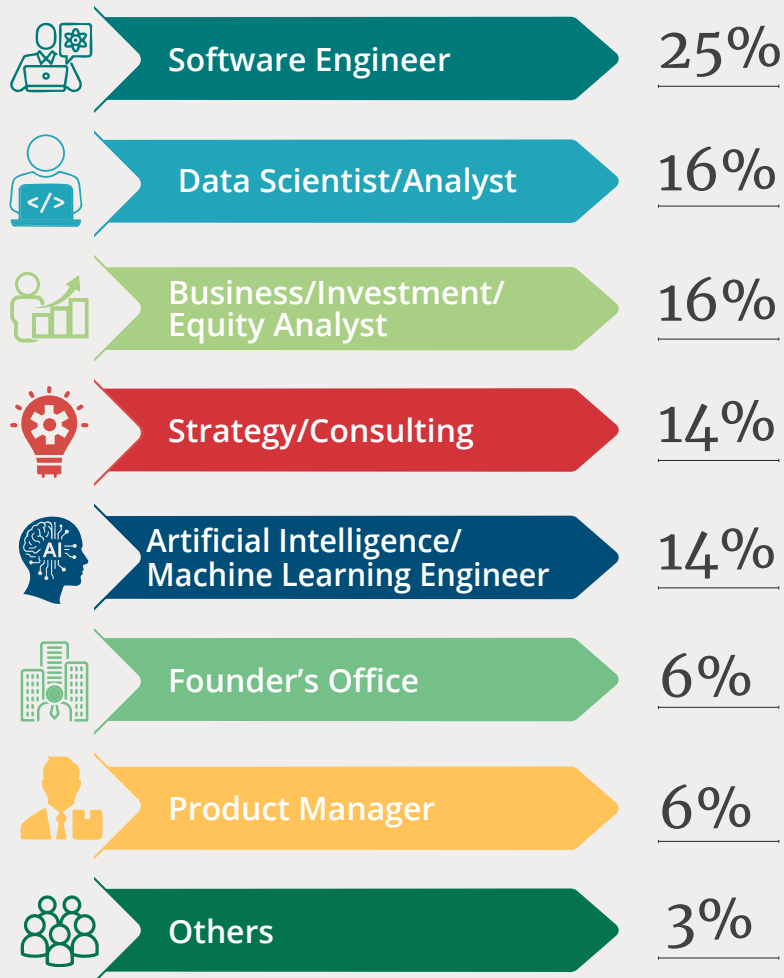


**~85%**  
of Students received  
Merit-based Scholarships  
and Financial Aid

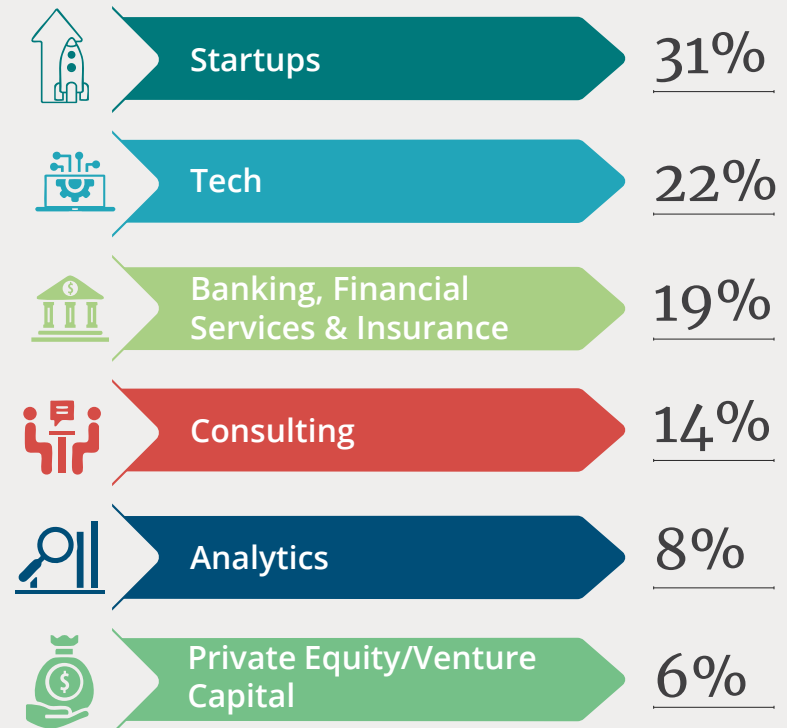
# Career Outcomes

Our founding undergraduate cohort, the BTech Class of 2025, had a successful placements cycle. Students joined full-time roles in companies across diverse sectors reflecting their academic excellence, technical depth, and industry readiness.

## Role Distribution



## Sector Distribution



# Career Outcomes

**20 LPA\***

Average CTC Overall

**8–65 LPA**

CTC Range Overall

**17 LPA**

Median CTC Overall

**48 LPA**

Top 10% Average CTC

**34 LPA**

Top 25% Average CTC



First UG Convocation

Congratulations Class of 2025

\*All figures in INR, CTC - Cost To Company, LPA - Lakh Per Annum

# Highlights

**100%**

of eligible students who opted for industry roles were placed, rounding off a remarkable placements season for the founding Undergraduate cohort

**1/3<sup>rd</sup>**

of the cohort joined Startups demonstrating a desire for hands-on learning, faster growth, and the chance to make a visible impact early in their careers

**30%**

of the founding Undergraduate cohort bagged roles in AI/ML Engineering and Data Scientist/Analyst roles, demonstrating the strengths of a future-focused curriculum shaping students into engineers with in-demand skills

**2**

women students embarked on their entrepreneurial journey, benefiting from Plaksha's ecosystem and startup-friendly culture that encourages them to go from ideas to impact

**55**

companies participated in the inaugural placements cycle, showing their belief in the Plaksha mission

**81**

roles were opened by these organizations for a diverse mix of profiles ranging from Software and AI/ML engineering to Product Management to Consulting

Nearly  
**1/5<sup>th</sup>**

of students secured roles in BFSI\* companies underscoring industry relevance and readiness of Plaksha talent to contribute to sectors like fintech and financial services

**27%**

of the cohort chose to pursue higher education and research opportunities in leading institutions around the world including Carnegie Mellon University, University of California San Diego, and King's College London among others

\*BFSI – Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance



# Highlights

Total number of companies that participated in the placements cycle:

**55**

Total number of roles offered:

**81**

Students who opted to pursue higher education / research:

**22**

Students who opted to pursue competitive exams:

**3**

Total number of companies that hired:

**32**

Students who secured industry roles:

**52**

Students who opted to pursue entrepreneurship:

**4**

# i Industry Offers

## Consulting & Strategy

Aditya Birla Management Corporation, Boston Consulting Group, ICF International, McKinsey & Company, Sunteck Realty

## Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance

Arcesium, Clix Capital, D.E. Shaw, HDFC Ergo, Jefferies, JM Financial, Policybazaar

## Private Equity/Venture Capital

Capital 2B, South Park Commons

## Analytics

DecisionTree, Fractal Analytics, GlobalData

## Startups

Bizom, Eggoz, Growth Natives, LAT Aerospace, New Space Research and Technologies Pixxel, Predli, Sarvam AI, Dagnosis, WareIQ

## Tech

Aakash Educational Services, August AI, Educational Initiatives, Flipkart, InfoEdge, Nagarro, Wayfair, Wayground (Formerly Quizizz), Whatfix

## ROLES HIRED FOR

- Software Engineer
- ML Engineer
- AI Engineer
- Data Scientist
- Data Analyst
- Product Manager
- Product Analyst
- Business Analyst
- Market Analyst
- Investment Associate
- Consultant
- Avionics Engineer
- Founder's Office

*\*Non-exhaustive*

# i **Masters** and **PhD** Offers

Students secured admits in the following Universities:

- Carnegie Mellon University
- King's College London
- Monash University
- Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence
- New York University
- University of California San Diego
- University of Chicago
- University of Pennsylvania
- Wake Forest University

Universities that extended offers included:

- Université Paris-Saclay, France
- Bristol University, UK
- University of Liverpool, UK
- Utrecht University, Netherlands
- Glasgow University, UK
- Wageningen University & Research, Netherlands
- University College Dublin, Ireland
- Queen Mary University of London, UK

Selected students chose to pursue long-term research at the following institutions:

- IIT Bombay
- IIIT Hyderabad
- IIT Roorkee
- IIT Guwahati

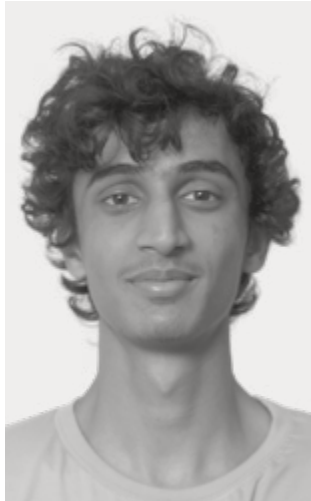
Students were guided by the Office of Global Engagements in their pursuit of higher studies

# ENTREPRENEURIAL VENTURES



# DEVESH SHAH

Founder & CEO | **Pinewheel Labs**



Pinewheel is a cybersecurity startup that aims to make security audits accessible and affordable for small and medium-sized enterprises and startups. It seeks to address the problem that traditional security audits are often too expensive, time-consuming, and technically demanding for smaller organizations to carry out.

The idea for this startup struck Devesh Shah and Sanidhya Singh while they were working on their fourth semester capstone project under the Innovation Lab and Grand Challenge studio and was incubated in Plaksha Launch Accelerator Program, a 6-month pre-seed accelerator powered by the Info Edge Center for Entrepreneurship. They were also among the top 10 startups selected for the prestigious Indian School of Business Technology Entrepreneurship Program.

# BHUVI JAIN & ASMI GULATI

Founders | **Invaro.ai**



Bhuvi Jain and Asmi Gulati co-founded Invaro.ai, an AI-powered platform designed to automate accounting and finance workflows. It streamlines tasks such as reconciliation, compliance, reporting, and bookkeeping, reducing manual effort for accountants and finance teams.

Beyond workflow automation, Invaro.ai offers developer APIs to parse financial documents like invoices, bank statements, and receipts into structured data. This makes it easy to integrate with other systems, enabling firms to digitize compliance, improve reporting, and accelerate financial decision-making through smart automation.



Students received constant support, resources, and guidance from the **Info Edge Center for Entrepreneurship** at every step of their entrepreneurial journey.

# SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

BTECH CLASS OF 2026



## Summer Internships BTech Class of 2026

Students from the BTech Class of 2026 did their summer internships during June-July 2025.

86

students were eligible for internships

75

students opted for industry internships

11

students opted for research

47

companies offered 52 roles to our students

## Institutions/**Companies**

Adobe	Agmitra Technologies	Alcovia
Allen Digital	Amuse Labs	Arcesium
Atlan Technologies Pvt Ltd	August AI	Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
Bizom	Boston Consulting Group	Clix Capital
Cotality	Country Delight	Dartmouth College
DecisionTree	Dagnosis India	DSP Mutual Fund
Endel Digital	EV Parthenon	Flyna
Global Data	Google Summer of Code	Hewto.ai
HiAstro	IISc Bangalore	Indian School of Business
Indifi Technologies	INVasset	ITC Foods Pvt Limited
Kaksha.ai	Loadshare Networks	Lyskraft
MakeMyTrip	McKinsey	Motilal Oswal Alternates
Perfetti Van Melle	Piramal Finance	Policybazaar
Predli	PWC	Wayground
Rezo.AI	SBSF Agritech	Shaadi.com
Sindhu Tradelinks	Stellaris Venture Partners	Studio Management LLC
University of Hyderabad	UR Rao Satellite Center, ISRO	Wadhvani Foundation

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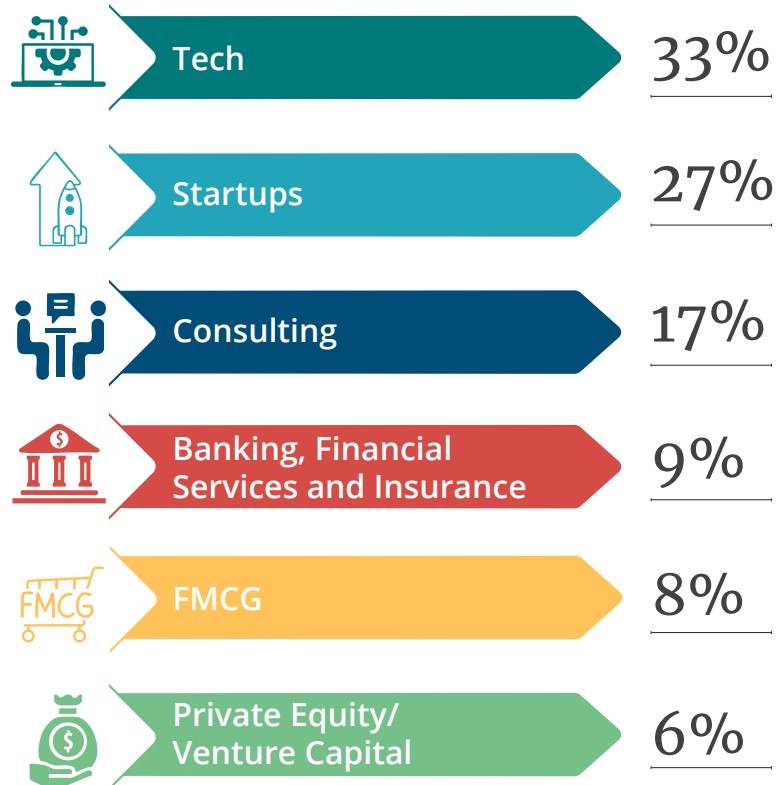
# Internship Roles

- AI Engineer
- AI Product Analyst
- Biological Systems & Applied Research
- Business Analyst
- Data Analyst
- Data Scientist
- Entrepreneur in Residence
- Finance
- Founder's Office
- ML Engineer
- Product Analyst
- Quant ML Engineer
- Research
- Software Engineer
- Strategy
- Summer Associate
- Technical Consultant

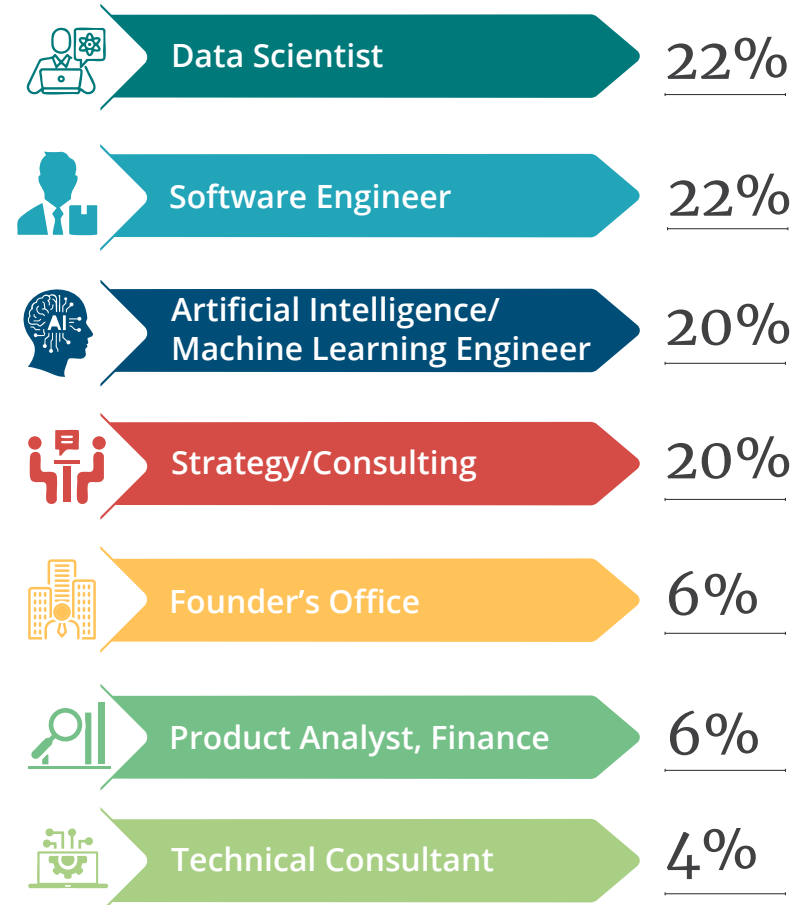
**Research Internships:** Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, ISRO, IISc Bangalore, University of Hyderabad, Indian School of Business, Dartmouth College

# Institutions/**Companies**

## Sector



## Roles



# NOTABLE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROJECTS



# UN Millennium Fellowship

Nine students from the Class of 2025 were selected for the prestigious UN Millennium Fellowship Class of 2022, giving them an opportunity to lead a social project on campus and build community impact skills. Only 8% of the 30,000+ applicants from over 2,400+ campuses across 140 nations were selected. As a part of the Fellowship, students worked on projects aligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The students selected for the fellowship were Arshia Sangwan, Rushiraj Gadhvi, Alli Ajagbe, Ayush Sheth, Divith Narendra, Noyonica Chatterjee, Surabhi Tannu, Tushar Garg, and Vikas Chaudhary.



Our students' representation on this esteemed forum was both a transformative experience for each one of them and a true testament to Plaksha's vision, leadership, and commitment to reimagining technology education in India.

### **CronyCorpJournalism** **Ayush Sheth, Divith** **Narendra**

Investigated media house mergers & acquisitions by corporations, analyzing how this corporate power influences media freedom and democracy.

### **DesignIT Africa Scholar** **Project** **Alli Ajagbe**

Bridged the digital divide by providing economically disadvantaged teenagers with IT skills, enabling them to participate meaningfully in tech-driven futures.

### **BRINK** **Noyonica Chatterjee**

Researched the link between depression and substance addiction in Punjab, exploring neural pathways to unlock better intervention strategies for mental health.

### **Humans First** **Arshia Sangwan, Rushiraj** **Gadhvi, Surabhi Tannu,** **Tushar Garg, Vikas Chaudhary**

Focused on the emotional well-being of JEE/NEET aspirants; set up mentorship connecting past exam-takers with current students to relieve pressure and foster support.

# Yale Hackathon 2022

Investigated media house mergers & acquisitions by corporations, analyzing how this corporate power influences media freedom and democracy.



## Shreevardhan Shah and Saumya Choudhary

won 2nd place in the Fintech track at Yale Hack 2022, a large virtual hackathon with 200+ participants from schools like MIT, Yale, and Northeastern.

Their project, **FinSchool**, is a gamified financial-literacy app designed to teach users “A-Z” of wealth creation in simple language. Users start with a virtual monthly income, complete learning modules, take quizzes, and can use “bonus money” in a stock market-simulator. Users’ financial mindset (e.g. saving vs. spending) is monitored via quiz responses.

Judges for this event included senior professionals from Bain & Company, Five Rings Capital, JP Morgan Chase, and Uber.

# Flu Symptoms Project

At the Halicioglu Data Science Institute, University of California San Diego, from August 2024 to January 2025, Kaustubh Singh co-developed a Reinforcement Learning framework for socially compliant robotic navigation using NVIDIA Isaac Sim. He designed real-time algorithms and a Particulate Matter Sensor network for cough detection and air filtration optimization. He Led educational studies using Virtual Reality to teach airborne illness transmission and Modeled cough aerosol flow in closed rooms to identify effective intervention strategies, including smart HVAC systems and mobile air purifiers.



# INNOVATION LAB AND GRAND CHALLENGE STUDIO



# Innovation Lab and **Grand Challenge Studio**

Innovation Lab and Grand Challenge Studio is a sequence of courses that facilitates students to pursue apprenticeship under Plaksha faculty right from their first semester. They ambitiously take on cutting-edge research topics such as creating digital twins of algae, applying Turing patterns to understand Alzheimer's, creating an AI tutor that emulates peer learning, building self-navigating robots for use in hospitals, and developing augmented reality modules for education. At the same time, they develop domain expertise through accompanying core and elective courses of their respective majors.

Below are 3 examples of projects done by the Class of 2025 that **won the SP Dutt Award for Innovation and Impact:**



# 1 Social Navigation for Autonomous Agents in a Hospital setup

*Students:*  
Amol Harsh,  
Arshia Sangwan,  
Rahath Malladi

Students worked on social navigation robots designed to navigate spaces like universities and hospitals with the same efficiency as humans. They developed a generalized framework that can be used for this technology, allowing robots to behave more naturally and intelligently in shared environments.

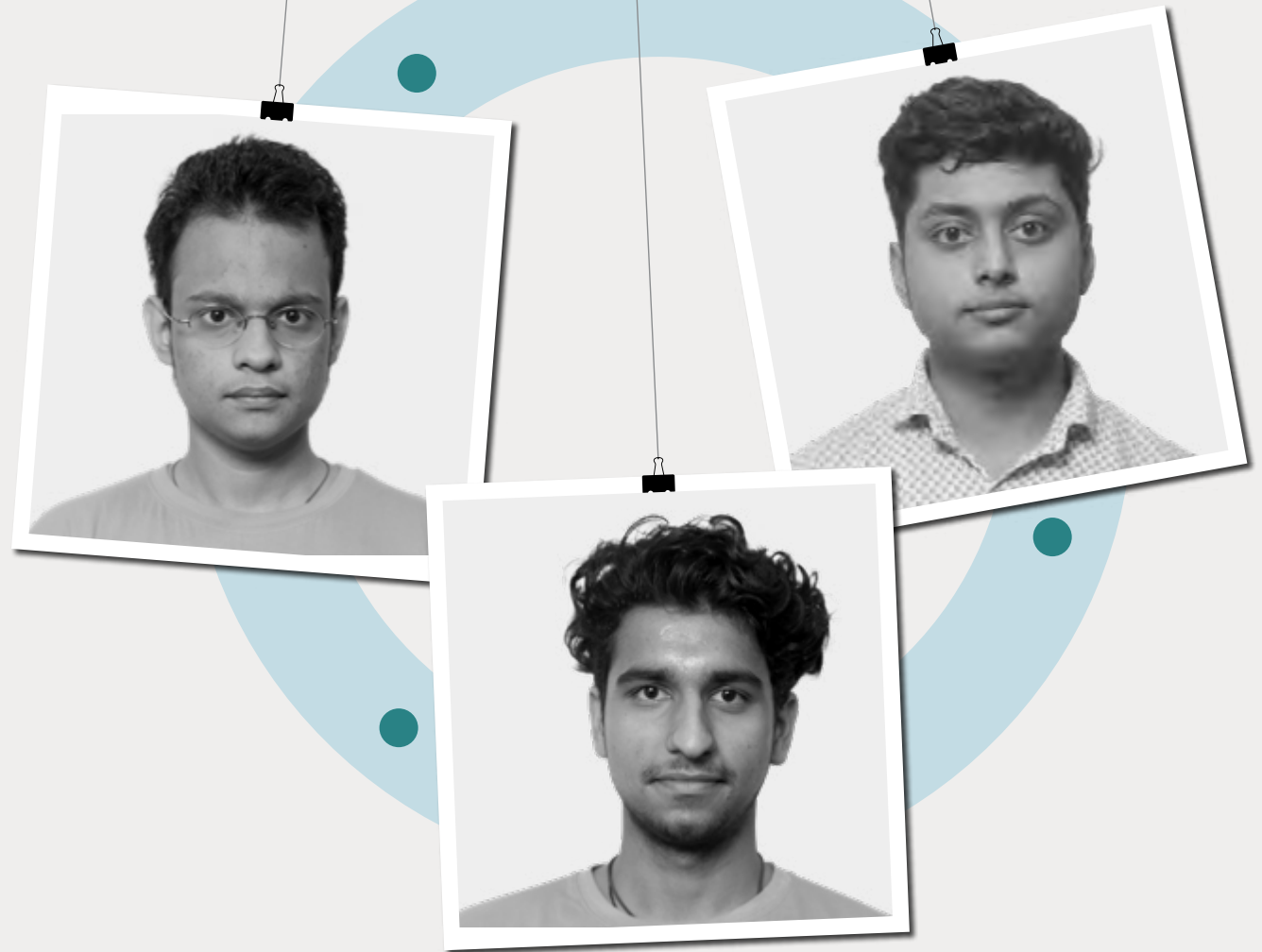


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## Field Boundary Detection using Computer Vision

*Students:*  
Anit Upadhyaya,  
Tejasvi Birdh,  
Vishal Paudel

This project used deep learning and satellite imagery to automatically identify farm boundaries. Students created an open-source tool to automate this process, which is especially important for the small farms that produce 35% of the world's food.



# 3

## Intrahousehold Impact Students

*Students:*  
Anushka Desai,  
Vedika Agarwal

These students researched the impact of past conflicts on women's health. They found that increased violence correlates with a decline in the health of women and their children, due to psychological distress and disruption of health services which may last for decades even after conflicts are over. They also observed a behavioral change, with women having more children due to increased value of life.



# | Student-led Initiatives

## Plakshathon

Organized by Athleda, the student sports club, Plakshathon 2025 is Plaksha's annual marathon. This year saw an impressive 142 runners – students, faculty and executives – for a morning of fitness, unity and fun. From 5K to 10K runs, the event was powered by determination and campus spirit.

## Kartavya

Plaksha's student-led community service club, Kartavya, was established in 2021 by the founding cohort, Class of 2025 with the mission to make a positive impact on society. Students, united by commitment to community upliftment, actively organized and participated in diverse social service initiatives such as cleanliness drives, blood donation camps among others, working to support and empower those in need.

## Fitoor

The first annual techno-cultural fest, Fitoor x Prayas, organized by students brought together an exciting blend of technology and culture, celebrating innovation and young talent. With participation from 20 universities, it was a platform for students to connect with peers, interact with industry leaders and showcase their skills in music, dance, photography, fashion, finance and more. The fashion show, music band performances, dance and hackathons were among the highlights.



# Student Achievements



**Vedika Agarwal**, BTech Class of 2025 was selected to the **Indo-US Science and Technology Forum Viterbi Scholarship** program at the University of Southern California (USC).

Offered to only 15 Indian students each year, this scholarship recognized her talent, allowing her to pursue research in the field of reinforcement learning and large language models while pursuing her third year at Plaksha.

She received guidance from Professor Kalliroi Georgila at the USC Institute for Creative Technologies.



Experiences beyond borders often shape the brightest minds.

**Amol Harsh**, BTech Class of 2025, delved into the world of tech at **Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD)**. As an intern at SUTD's AI Mega Lab's MARVL, Amol was exposed to advanced urban simulation and software development, focusing on creating city map simulations for robotics using C++, Python, and OpenStreetMap data. His journey, infused with innovation and inspired by Singapore's transformative energy, speaks volumes about the power of global exposure.



**Suhani Jain**, BTech Class of 2025, spent two months at **Stanford University** working on two projects: developing a VR platform for public speaking training and creating data optimization framework to bridge gender gap in STEM education and careers. Their team pitched to some of Silicon Valley's prominent Venture Capitalists, and were recognized as one of the most innovative projects.

# STUDENT TESTIMONIALS





“ In the summer of 2023, I conducted research at Professor Ganesh A Viswanathan’s lab at IIT Bombay, where I worked on modelling TNF-induced cell death pathways. This experience led me to the Amgen Scholars Program at Tsinghua University where I conducted bioinformatics analysis and presented my findings at the Amgen Scholars Asia Symposium at the University of Tokyo. ”

### **Nainika Gupta**

Biological Systems Engineering  
Pursuing Master’s degree in Precision Health at University of Chicago



“ My academic journey at Plaksha gave me many opportunities to learn and grow. Earning a place on the Dean’s List was a proud moment as it recognized my consistent performance. My passion for robotics and agentic systems then took me to the Halicioğlu Data Science Institute at UC San Diego, first as a summer intern and later for my thesis. I worked on using robotics for healthcare, focusing on intervention techniques to stop the spread of cough aerosol in closed environments. ”

### **Kaustubh Singh**

Robotics & Autonomous Systems  
Project Engineer in the Aerospace Engineering Department, IIT Bombay



“ The spirit of being an engineer is the ability to take any problem, break it down and solve it. Plaksha is the embodiment of this spirit. ”

### **Rishi Ladha**

Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence Founder’s Office, LAT Aerospace



“ Plaksha gave me the freedom to explore and the rigor to excel – from publishing interdisciplinary research and representing the university in sports to internships at Fractal and Flipkart. ”

### **Avishi Rajgarhia**

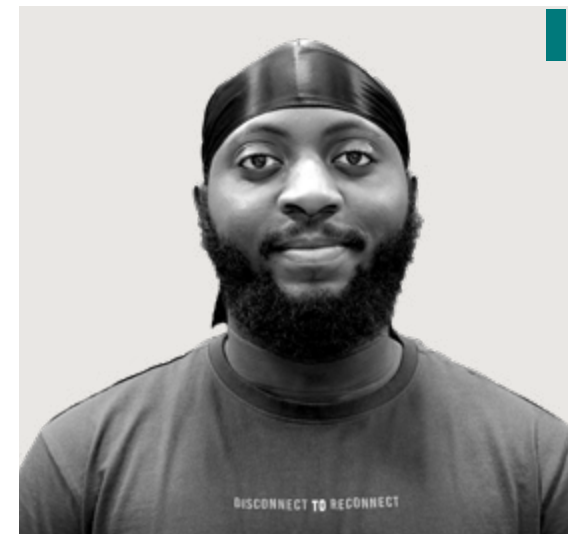
Data Science, Economics & Business  
Business Analyst, McKinsey & Company



“ Plaksha has provided a unique platform to explore the intersection of research, technology, and entrepreneurship. The hands-on, interdisciplinary environment enabled me to work on impactful real-world problems, sharpen my skills in AI and software development, and pursue diverse career opportunities across startups, research, and venture ecosystems. ”

### **Spandan Panda**

Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence  
Software Engineer, Arcesium India Private Limited



“ Plaksha was a new university when I joined, and choosing to be part of its first undergraduate cohort as the only international student in 2021 was a bold decision. That choice tested my confidence, resilience, and adaptability, and it shaped how I approached challenges throughout my time there. ”

### **Alli Ajagbe**

Data Science, Economics & Business  
Pursuing Master's degree at Wake Forest University School of Business

# OFFICE OF CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS AND CAREERS



# Structured Engagement. **Industry Impact.**

The Office of Corporate Partnerships and Careers is dedicated to fostering long-term, mutually value adding relationships with industry and ensuring exceptional career outcomes for our students.

## Student Support Initiatives

1

### 1:1 Industry Mentorship

Each student is matched with an industry mentor from their third year onwards, ensuring long-term guidance.

2

### Resume Review Sessions

Multiple rounds of personalized resume reviews to align profiles for diverse roles and sectors.

3

### Interview Preparation

Mock interviews, technical screening simulations, and case practice to prepare for real-world assessments.

4

### Communication Lab

Coaching for communication and executive presence for interviews and presentations.

5

### Technical Workshops

Curated sessions on software development, data science, product management, consulting and others.

# Tech Talent Day - Delhi NCR

## May 2024

Leaders from industry and academia discussed key shifts in talent assessment and the need for a strong learning culture. Takeaways emphasized viewing students holistically, fostering an entrepreneurial mindset, and promoting continuous learning with practical applications. The event, featuring insightful panels, highlighted technology's disruptive impact and the need for stronger industry-academia collaboration, with future events planned for other cities.



# GCC\* Round Table - Bengaluru

June 2025

Featuring 20+ leaders from GCCs including ABB, Collins Aerospace, Continental Corporation, KPMG, Mercedes-Benz, Schneider Electric, Siemens, KPMG, Honeywell, and Wayfair, the roundtable explored industry expectations regarding tech talent, best practices for talent acquisition and co-creation opportunities for GCCs with academia.



\*GCC - Global Capability Center

# Redefining Industry Synergies

## Industry MoUs signed to advance learning

MoUs signed with **Dr. Reddy's Laboratories** and **Volkswagen Group Technology Solutions India** for research collaboration, training, knowledge sharing etc



# ALUMNI MEET



# Alumni Meet

An Alumni Meet was organized in Bengaluru which brought together postgraduate fellows, the inaugural undergraduate cohort, and the Plaksha founding community.

Conversations revolved around a shared sense of purpose and continued engagement, offering reflections on the vision that shaped Plaksha, the legacy and community that we are building, and the road ahead.



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