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Initiated by the founder Vice-chancellor Dr. C.R. Reddy in 1926, legends like Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, a great philosopher and a role model for the human race who later rose to the position of Vice-president of India, Dr. V.S. Krishna, a great visionary have continued the tradition of initiating innovative academic programs of national and international relevance and contributed to sustained development of this University.

Innovative academic activities in emerging fields like Nuclear Physics, Bio-Inorganic Chemistry, Geophysics, Meteorology and Oceanography, Human Genetics, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Naval Architecture, Biomedical Engineering, Bioinformatics, Human Resource Management, Business Management etc. even when these subjects were in a nascent stage in the West and Europe. Similarly the University also has the unique culture and practice of moulding these academic programmes to address the societal and technological needs. Programmes like 20<sup>th</sup> Century Gurukulam, Social Exclusion and Inclusive studies are some of the innovations contributing to the alleviation of the rural youth and the under privileged society. Thus the University strives hard to provide an equal and balanced opportunity for all genders and sections of the society.

The University's attention in augmenting state of the art equipment, infrastructure and library facilities and conceptualizing and implementing healthy practices in teaching and administration with a democratic team spirit has been applauded by the NAAC, the apex body to judge the credibility of any Indian University. Apart from being flexible in offering advanced courses for the benefit of the knowledge seekers from the neighbouring countries, the University is running a few twinning programmes in collaboration with some of the reputed International Universities. The exponential growth in the enrolment of foreign students is a testimony to its international commitment and quality education.

Five constituent colleges and five P.G. Centers of the University provide quality training and research leading to Masters and Doctoral degrees in more than 160 courses. Apart from under graduate programmes in Engineering and Technology the University offers Under graduate degree programmes with a variety of combinations of subjects in B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com courses. Believing in more focused training in professional courses, the University recently started five year integrated programmes in fields like Geology, Information Technology and Software Engineering.