CV AND INTERVIEW WORKSHOP

The CV writing workshop, conducted in November, was part of our Beyond the Chalkboard program. This program is a series of short workshops, conducted by Sukha, where we train our students in literacy skills that can be used outside of the classroom. We have previously worked on theatre and public speaking workshops, and now focusing on CV writing and interview practise.

The goal was to help students improve their resume and ease them into a (mock) interview. Students we worked with specifically came from underserved communities. They needed additional guidance to refine their CVs and effectively communicate their thoughts in English, especially for interviews.



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We had volunteers and post-grad students pursuing their Masters in Economics from Stella Maris College, conducting a one day induction, teaching them the different aspects that should go onto a CV. This included using the right types of phrases to use, made precise for the type of jobs each student applies for. We also demonstrated the correct adjectives used to highlight certain skill sets students wanted to portray. This meant that they, in turn, would be able to train the undergraduate students.

We worked with over 50 undergraduate students on a 1:2 mentor - student ration. The facilitators first directed a group session, where students could ask their questions or concerns about writing their CV. Then they broke into groups, where each mentor helped the beneficiaries fill out details of their CV. The workshop was very interactive, allowing a very personal, readymade CV result by the end.

