

## **LECTURE ON EMPATHY SKILLS FOR INTERNS – DR PRIYADARSHINI, HOD OF MBA DEPARTMENT AT TAGORE ENGINEERING COLLEGE**

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Empathy is the art of seeing the world as someone else sees it. When we have empathy, it means we can understand what a person is feeling in a given moment, and understand why other people's actions made sense to them. Empathy helps us to communicate our ideas in a way that makes sense to others, and it helps us understand others when they communicate with us. It is one of the foundational building blocks of great social interaction.

Fortunately, empathy is part talent and part training. Depending on our starting level of ability, getting better at empathy might require more or less work than someone else---but no matter what our starting point, we can teach ourselves to be better at empathy.

As a continuation of fulfilling the goal of developing the personality of every individual associated with our college, we had organized this particular one hour session for our Internship students.

Dr. P. Priyadarsini's efforts for this program started a month before this date when she conducted a survey on the perception of Empathy amongst Interns. Her lecture was structured based on the results of the survey. Dr. P. Priyadarsini's public speaking skill & modesty was very evident when she managed to invoke interest & make the session interactive to convey the point. Dr. P. Priyadarsini concluded that Empathy is the most important skill we can practice. It will lead to greater success personally and professionally and will allow us to become happier the more we practice.

Overall this program was first of its kind & an eye opener for many attendees. Another session is being planned on 'Practice Management' for the same audience after a few months.

Attendees: Students Undergoing Internship 2015-16