

## ST.XAVIER'SCOLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

## Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25

Value Added Course on 'Qualitative Interviewing Training'

Name of Activity	
	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
Date/Duration	10:45 am-1:00 pm
	St. xavier's College
Venue	Class Room 207
Name of	Department of PsychologySangath-Goa (MOU Activity)
organizing	
Department/Cell	
In collaboration	
with	
Name/s of	Dr. Eulalia Fernandes
Faculty	
Coordinator	
Stratum of Event	
Name & details	Ms. Grace Pacheco
of Resource Person/s	Screening Coordinator
	Sangath- Goa
If any	
Report	On 10th February 2025, the Department of Psychology at St. Xavier's College, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell and Sangath, Goa, organized a Value Added Course (VAC) on Qualitative Interviewing Training. The workshop, which took place from 10:45 AM to 1:15 PM, was specifically designed for third-year Psychology students. The session was attended by 39 students.
	The Resource Person for the workshop was Ms. Grace Pacheco, the Screening Coordinator at Sangath, Goa, and she was assisted by Ms. Shruti Bora. The session commenced with an introduction by Dr Eulalia Fernandes, who welcomed the speakers. Mr. Anish Goltekar and Ms. Sania Kumar presented a potted plant as a token of appreciation to the speakers.
	The workshop provided students with an in-depth understanding of qualitative interviewing techniques. The session began with a brief

	introduction to interviews and the various types of interviews. The resource persons emphasized the importance of effective interview
	skills, strategies for improvement, and gaining confidence in
	conducting interviews while adhering to ethical protocols.
	Key topics covered during the session included:
	<ul> <li>Basic Interview Skills: Participants were taught how to start and end interviews professionally, while maintaining focus on obtaining relevant information.</li> <li>Advanced Techniques: Ms. Pacheco and Ms. Bora introduced advanced techniques such as probing, clarifying, summarizing, reflecting, and the strategic use of silence and non-verbal cues.</li> <li>Practical Application: Students participated in hands-on activities, including using a reflexive sheet for post-interview evaluation and engaging in role-plays on topics like dating violence to practice their skills in real-life scenarios.</li> <li>Interview Guide Creation: Participants learned how to create structured or semi-structured interview guides and were made aware of common interviewing mistakes to avoid.</li> <li>Mock Interviews: The students also had the opportunity to conduct mock interviews, including interviews with individuals with disabilities, to better understand different interview contexts.</li> </ul>
	The session concluded with Naomi Fernandes delivering the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the resource persons for their insightful contribution.
	Overall, the workshop was a highly educational and enriching experience, equipping students with valuable tools to conduct effective and ethical interviews. The knowledge and skills gained will undoubtedly enhance the students' interviewing techniques and contribute to their academic and professional growth.
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