

Faculty Development Program (FDP)

Excel Mastery April 2-9, 2024

Introduction: The Faculty Development Program (FDP) on Excel was conducted with the aim of enhancing participants' proficiency in utilizing Excel for data analysis, manipulation, and visualization. The program covered various advanced topics and techniques in Excel, providing participants with practical knowledge and hands-on experience to excel in their professional endeavours.

Overview of Topics Covered: The FDP encompassed a diverse range of topics tailored to meet the needs of participants from various academic backgrounds. Some of the key topics covered during the program included:

1. **Imputation Techniques:** Participants learned about imputation methods used to handle missing data in Excel, with a focus on replacing missing values with the median.
2. **Shortcut Keys:** Participants were introduced to essential shortcut keys in Excel, such as Ctrl + H for replacing values, Ctrl + G for selecting blanks, and Ctrl + E for flash fill, streamlining their workflow and boosting productivity.
3. **Formula Functions:** The program delved into advanced formula functions in Excel, including the use of the Sequence formula and the CONCATENATE function for combining cell contents.
4. **Chart Creation:** Participants learned how to create visually appealing charts in Excel, exploring shortcuts like Alt + F1, Pivot Tables For Multiple Tables, for displaying charts according to the data.
5. **Data Analysis Tools:** The FDP covered essential data analysis tools in Excel, such as VLOOKUP, COUNT, COUNTIFs, SUMIFs for finding values in one column and returning corresponding values from another column, and the utilization of Macros for automating repetitive tasks.
6. **MACROS:** Basics of Macros was also covered, In which, that how repetitive task can be done using macros. How to read macros and do marginal changes to support our excel.

Interactive Sessions and Hands-on Practice: The FDP comprised interactive sessions where participants actively engaged with the instructor and fellow participants, clarifying doubts and sharing insights. Hands-on practice sessions allowed participants to apply the concepts learned during the program, reinforcing their understanding and skill development.

Assessment and Feedback: Throughout the FDP, participants were assessed through quizzes and practical exercises to evaluate their comprehension and application of Excel concepts. Feedback sessions were conducted to gather participants' insights and suggestions for further improvement.

On the last day, every department was requested to come up with their actual problems in their respective departments, and we tried to solve every department's problem.

Conclusion: The Faculty Development Program on Excel equipped participants with valuable knowledge and skills essential for leveraging Excel effectively in their academic and professional pursuits. By mastering advanced techniques, shortcuts, and functions, participants are now better equipped to analyze data, streamline tasks, and make informed decisions using Excel.