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Now, learn music with graphics

Now Varied Degree Subjects On Offer

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Bangalore: Learn Bharatanatyam with English, wine making with mathematics or pet care with economics. Like an ice cream sundae, pick your choice and make your degree as colourful as you wish.

While pursuing a BA or BSc course, now you can choose a wide variety of subjects, some of them that are at the other end of the spectrum. Apart from the deemed universities, many autonomous colleges in the city have also come up with such innovative certificate courses.

Sample this. Hindustani vocal or Carnatic vocal along with Optional English, Computer Design and Graphics; Psychology, Sociology, Economics and a certificate programme in foreign languages. These are some of the undergraduate programmes offered by Jain University.

Some courses

- Astronomy and astrophysics
- Introduction to hypnosis
- Pet care
- Pottery
- Cosmetology
- Design studio
- Public speaking
- Bharatanatyam



- Phonetics
- Team building
- Bartending

Christ University offers as many as 70 certificate courses, which from the coming academic year, will be made mandatory. Students should take up at least two certificate programmes, which are outside the streams they have chosen. Each deanery in the college offers around 20-25 certificate programmes.

Mount Carmel College provides classes in pet care. Take a puppy home, feed it, play with it and earn credits! This is

apart from art and pottery, guitar, Bharatanatyam, cosmetology and Christian scriptures.

"Many students are scared to take up music or dance as they are not sure of the prospects. This is why we thought of packaging it with other programmes like English or graphics, through which students can find a career, yet chase their passion," said Santosh M S, registrar, Jain University.

The colleges testify that the response has been good for their programmes. "We started offering it to provide holistic education to children. We have been encouraged to make it mandatory as many students showed keen interest," said Krishnaswamy P, dean, humanities and social science, Christ University.

Agreeing with him, Shila Dange, coordinator, Centre for Extended Education, Mount Carmel College, said how these courses prepare their students to face the outside world. "Many of them use these skills to start their own enterprises," she said.