

727894 assignments to be received. 727894² tears to be shed. 727894⁷²⁷⁸⁹⁴ memories to be made. Welcome, batch of 2019! One score and one year ago, IIIT broke ground on what was to become one of India's fastest growing institutes. As you join our enthralling community of pioneers, civil servants and leaders, *PING!* hopes to make your transition to university life easier. Here's some curated content based on our team's wild stories and experiences; stories that you will soon call your own.

Clubs

Interested in some niche interest that has no club for it? Make one! As far as administrative hurdles go, IIIT is probably the easiest of all colleges to form clubs in - all you need are a few interested people and a faculty advisor.

Student Governance

IIIT has an active and round-the-year functioning parliament. And unlike most other colleges, our student parliament actually has an impact on decision-making in the college, however minute it may seem.

Freedom

The biggest thing IIIT gives students is arguably freedom. For the most part, IIIT treats you like adults. You are free to do as you will (within expected, responsible limits that are mostly reasonable). Be it 2 a.m. in the morning, or at 5: nobody will stop you from leaving/entering the campus (But take your ID with you). Wear shorts to class, if you wish. Don't worry about curfews.

General queries

Understand the power of emails. You don't have to run around with a form to four offices and then some (except in some unfortunate cases) to accomplish some administrative task. The college takes mails very seriously - and expects you to, too.

Food

In time, you may come to hate the messes. But that's still 4 messes better than what almost any other place has to offer. Go try them all before succumbing to the cash drain of food delivery.

Location

Gachibowli is probably prime location for a college. Fast-food, food delivery, super markets, Pizza-hut¹ – you name it. This area is also

a hub for Information Technology, with many giants having their offices in our periphery. Yes, the campus is rather small, but a small price to pay for prime real estate.

¹ The author does not endorse Pizza-hut, nor is he a huge fan of it. Go to KFC fellas

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What makes IIIT Special

From the most used (and what one would expect to be some of the most successful) pick-up lines, to what expectations the “IIIT tag” levies upon you on the dating scene - all right from the horse’s mouth.

A survey was done across the campus, and questions were asked on a variety of topics ranging from safety issues to the skewed ratio of the Indian dating scene. **WHAT TO DO, AND WHAT NOT TO DO; TO GET THAT LUCKY MATCH ALL THERE IN THE UPCOMING JULY 2019 ISSUE OF PING!**

But if you can’t wait for that long, here’s a freebie. “Little kid lover” is not an acceptable nickname even if it shouts out your priorities to the world!



DATING AT IIIT

CAMPUS EVENTS



Megathon

Hyderabad’s largest student hackathon organized by the Entrepreneurship Cell, this event has participation of over a 1000, and it keeps getting bigger. In the course of the 24-hour hackathon, participants are given problem statements on different topics and have to come up with a product of their own, with massive prizes for winners.



Unplugged

Although not the signature event, it is definitely the music club’s best liked. Held in the beginning of the Monsoon semester, students and faculty alike are invited to showcase their musical talents. For the event, the Vindhya canteen is artfully lit up with fairy lights, transforming the scene into something straight out of fantasy. And while the performances themselves are mesmerising, the ambience alone is enough to leave you spellbound.



Felicity

The annual college fest. It is held in the beginning of the Spring semester, and pre-luded by ‘Felicity Buzz’, a sneak peek into what is on offer. Each year, the fest is kick-started with ‘Inaugurals’, a cultural programme which includes musical performances, dances and comedic acts. Over the next few days, the campus clubs and committees hold several competitions and friendly events, ranging from coding challenges, to team sports, to literary and quizzing contests. The aptly named Nights are musical shows designed for student enjoyment, from DJs to rock artists.