**About us**

Ravenshaw college was established in 1868. This premier institute was upgraded to the status of a University on 15th November, 2006. Since its inception Ravenshaw has a long tradition of pursuing excellence in teaching and research as well as creating and maintaining a lifelong connection between the institute and its alumni.

**Mission**

*Our mission is to create a multi-generational community and environment that nurtures the Ravenshavians spirit of “liberation through knowledge” and to transform lives through sustainable support and action. We would like to create a lifelong and worldwide community of alumni through increased opportunities for meaningful engagement in order to increase awareness, pride, participation, volunteer involvement, and philanthropic commitment to Ravenshaw University.*

**Objectives**

Ravenshaw Alumni will be platform to connect, contribute, converse or seek support of its Alumunus. This is a community that can enjoy the pleasure of reuniting the friends and going back to the old institute. All intentions, initiatives and action of the Ravenshaw Alumni shall be driven by the following objectives.

* To provide a forum to establish a link between the alumni, faculty and students of the Institute and to support each other in all areas.
* To enable the alumni to participate in activities this would contribute to the general development of the Institute.
* To build an active network of Alumni across India and abroad.
* To encourage formation of chapters to increase participation of Alumni.
* To organize lectures, symposia, workshops, conventions for the Alumni and also for the students of the university to share knowledge and experience and promote dialogue and debate.
* To create awareness about the achievements contribution and rich heritage of the university amongst the alumni, present students, work places, society and the media.
* To keep the alumni abreast of scientific and technological developments of national importance.
* To Institute prizes and scholarships, and render financial aid to deserving students of the Institute.
* To provide a vibrant forum that promotes interaction and networking among alumni of the Institute;
* To help alumni achieve their professional and societal goals;
* To help alumni in their hour of need;
* To facilitate the association of alumni with their Alma Mater;
* To contribute to the Institute’s vision of being recognized

among the world’s leading institutions in academics, research,

outreach, and innovation;

* To assist deserving students from the sections of the society

financially and otherwise.

* To create awareness about the Institute and its alumni in the public; and to contribute towards the welfare of the Alumni.

Why and How to Contribute

**Contribute to Ravenshaw. Your gift will make a difference to students and faculty of Ravenshaw.**

Ravenshaw has completed 147 years–with a deep sense of satisfaction and pride over its record of contributions, achievements and recognition received. As a matured and vibrant Institution it has introspected over the past and embarked on the pursuit of its vision of becoming the “fountainhead of new ideas” and has the objective of joining the global super league of universities recognized for their excellence in education, research, creativity and innovation. In this regard, the institute needs to take several new initiatives; besides strengthening many nascent pursuits by mobilizing and deploy significant resources.

You may choose one of the following priority areas of giving to Ravenshaw to enable the Institute to pursue its goal of maintaining high standards in Teaching and Research.

**Institute Development Fund**

The impact of donations on the growth of the institute is remarkable. Ravenshaw aims to accelerate the pace of its approach towards its “**Tryst with Excellence**” and asks for your continued support. Your contribution to the modernization and establishment of new academic, research and campus infrastructure shall be appreciated.

**Chair Professorship**

Establishment of new Chair Professorships is essential for Eavenshaw to attract and retain high quality research faculty, which are one of the key elements required to fulfil the goal of the Institute to be a leading International Research University. It is envisaged that Chairs will also lead to establishment of new areas of specialization through the recruitment of accomplished researchers in specific fields of study. Each Chair is supported by an endowment created from a donation to the Institute.

**Visiting Faculty Programme**

There can be a visiting faculty programme. The visiting faculty will deliver a fresh perspective and expose students and faculty to new course of thinking. The visits could be for 3 to 5 days, one month or even a semester. There can be programmes to attract best students of Ravenshaw and motivate them to attain global recognition for their academic work.

**Alumni Return to Teach Programme**

This programme will enable some of the top alumni faculty, researchers and entrepreneurs to come back to teach at Ravenshaw. For people of Odisha, India and abroad this will be an opportunity to work together for Ravenshaw to shine in the glory it deserves.

**Batch Endowment Programme**

The Batch Endowment Programme is a grass route initiative that reaches out to every alum of a graduating/post graduating year with a request to contribute to a fund by a defined period of time. As and when the fund crosses Rupees 5 lakhs, a class room is named after the batch and the names of alums who have contributed is displayed at the entrance to that class room.

**Student programme (Scholarship and Travel grants)**

Donation will be given to attract the best students to Ravenshaw and motivate them to get recognition for their academic work. Scholarships and Travel grants will be provided to needy and meritorious students.

**Alumni Awards**

Distinguished Alumnus Awards

Ravenshaw is recognized as one of the centres of academic excellence. The students passing out from the institute are of the highest calibre, who have reached positions of eminence in industry, business, public sector, academic and research institutions or as entrepreneurs. The institute had long felt the need to recognize the Alumni of Ravenshaw who had distinguished themselves in their field of work and done the institute proud. With this intention the distinguished Alumnus awards have been instituted.

Distinguished Service Awards

This award has been instituted at Ravenshaw to be given to Ravenshaw Alumni who have contributed in a very notable and sustained manner to the progress of the Institute.

Young Alumnus Achiever Awards

The Young Alumni Achiever Awards (YAAA) are for alumni who have shown outstanding achievements in their chosen field of work and are below 40 years of age.