

Alumni Meet - 2024

on

"Beyond Graduation: Insights from Alumni"

Conducted on 9th December 2024

REVA Business School

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Date: December 09, 2024 | Time: 02:00 PM to 03:00 PM | Online: MS Teams



Resource person details

- 1. Kirankuma r Hirematha B: Inventory Analyst, HP, Bengaluru.
- 2. Priyanka K: Program Manager, Amazon, Bengaluru.
- 3. Rohit S: Director Marketing, Rovia Solutions Pvt. Ltd, Mumbai.
- 4. Sreelakshmi P: Consultant, KPMG Assurance and Consulting Services LLP, Bengaluru.
- 5. Syed Aseel: Own Business (Super Market), Food City Super Market, Bengaluru.
- 6. Megha K: Audit Associate, KPMG, Bengaluru.
- 7. S Kiran: Developing growth strategies, RXDX healthcare, Bengaluru.
- 8. Hemashree R: Audit Associate, KPMG, Bengaluru

Report

Date: 09th December 2024	Time of the Meeting: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Meeting Location: Online _MS Teams			
Type of the Meeting:	Academic				
Organizer/Facilitato r	Dr Shubha A, Dean REVA Business School				
Meeting Called By	Prof Malashree S, Alumni Vertical Head and Assistant Professor, REVA Business School				
Note Taker	Prof. Bhavya K R, Cultural Vertical Head and Assistant Professor, REVA Business School				
Attendees	 Dr Shubha A, Pro Vice Chancellor, Academia, Governance, Training and Placement, and Dean REVA Business School Ms. Sreelakshmi M S: KPMG consulting services Bengaluru Ms. Megha: Audit Associate - KPMG. Mr. Kiran: Business Development Executive – RJX Healthcare, Bengaluru. Mr. Sayed Aseel: Entreprenuer, Bengaluru. Prof Malashree S, Assistant Professor, REVA Business School Prof. Bhavya K R, Assistant Professor, REVA Business School Prof Shwetha TA, Assistant Professor, REVA Business School Dr. Thamotharan Ayyavu, Associate Professor, IQAC Head, REVA Business School Dr. Narayanaswamy Thangavel, Associate Professor, Academic Vertical Head, REVA Business School 				
Agenda:	Insights from Alumni, Interaction, knowledge and experience sharing from the Alumni of REVA Business School				
Time Capture	Discussions				
2:00PM to 2:05 PM	Start of the Session: Prof Malashree S, started the session by welcoming the Dean, the Alumni of RBS and REVA Staff members who joined the meeting, the				

warm welcome embarked on Journey of reflection.

Discussion 1: Ms. Sreelakshmi, One of the key speakers at the event was an alum from the 2018 batch of the MBA program at Reva University, specializing in Banking and Finance. The speaker graciously shared their professional journey, which began shortly after graduation, with a candid reflection on the challenges and lessons learned along the way.

Key Highlights:

- 1. Career Path & Experience:
- The speaker began their professional career with JP Morgan Chase as a Transaction Specialist, a role in which they contributed significantly to client onboarding operations. This was their first exposure to the corporate world, and they openly acknowledged the challenges of adapting to the new work environment, including self-doubt and hesitation to ask questions.
- After two years at JP Morgan Chase, they transitioned to **Silicon Valley Bank** (AUS Bank) located in Manita Tech Park, where they worked for over three years. This experience helped them gain deeper insights into the banking and finance sector.
- Currently, they are employed at **KPMG Consulting Services**, one of the Big Four auditing firms, where they have been for more than a year. The transition from client onboarding to auditing has been significant, and they have embraced the learning curve in this new field.

2. Challenges & Growth:

- The speaker shared that adapting to the corporate culture initially felt difficult, particularly with the fear of asking questions or appearing uninformed. However, they emphasized the importance of perseverance and proactivity in seeking help from colleagues and seniors. By reaching out and requesting guidance, they were able to overcome initial hurdles and continue learning.
- One of the key takeaways was the realization that **learning is a continuous process**. The speaker believes that learning does not stop after formal education; rather, it continues through daily experiences and interactions. They also highlighted the value of failure as a stepping stone toward success, encouraging students to view mistakes as opportunities for growth.

3. Advice to Students:

- The speaker advised students to focus on **continuous learning and skill development**. In the rapidly evolving job market, certifications and additional qualifications can significantly enhance one's career prospects. They recommended students explore certifications in fields that interest them, whether in business operations, marketing, project planning, or finance.
- Another important piece of advice was to stay motivated and

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positive, even when facing setbacks. The speaker stressed the importance of perseverance and not giving up when challenges arise. "Never give up," they stated, adding that it's important to keep pushing forward, as each step brings valuable learning experiences.

- The speaker also encouraged students to be patient with themselves and to remember that career growth is a marathon, not a sprint. Even if things don't go as planned today, tomorrow always offers a new opportunity.
- 4. Closing Thoughts:
- In closing, the speaker expressed gratitude for the opportunity to share their experiences and offered to answer any questions from the students. Their message was clear: stay committed to personal and professional growth, keep learning, and always maintain a positive mindset, no matter the circumstances.

Megha: The speaker begins by expressing sincere gratitude for the opportunity to speak before the dignitaries and the students of Reva University, particularly recalling nostalgic memories of their time there. They acknowledge the role their teachers played in shaping their career path and emphasize how grateful they are for the chance to share their journey with the upcoming students.

Career Journey: The speaker, an alumnus of Reva Business School, graduated in 2022. They begin by discussing their current role as an Audit Associate at KPMG, where they have been working for two years. During this period, they have gained significant experience in areas such as auditing, financial analysis, and risk management. The speaker also highlights their work with diverse clients across various industries, which has helped them develop strong technical skills and business acumen.

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Evolving Landscape of Audit and Assurance: The speaker mentions the changing landscape of the audit assurance field, especially with the integration of emerging technologies such as data analytics, artificial intelligence, and sustainability reporting. They emphasize that technical accounting knowledge, proficiency in data analytics, and strong communication skills are crucial for success in this evolving field.

Advice to Current Students: Drawing from their own experience, the speaker advises current students to focus on developing their technical skills, especially in data analytics, which is becoming increasingly important in the corporate world. They also suggest building a professional network within the industry, as connections play a pivotal role in career advancement.

Conclusion: The speaker concludes by offering to connect with students via LinkedIn, expressing their willingness to provide further assistance and guidance. They reiterate their gratitude for the opportunity to speak and hope that their brief talk serves as an inspiration for the students as they navigate their own career paths.

Kiran: Mr. Kiran started the session by saying he was part of MBA batch of 2022. My specialization is in Finance and Marketing. Currently, I am working as a Business Development Executive in the healthcare sector at RX JX Healthcare. Through this report, I would like to share my experiences, insights, and advice for MBA students, especially those who are about to select companies or graduate in the current batch.

1. Selecting the Right Industry and Domain:

One of the most crucial aspects of pursuing an MBA is choosing the right industry and domain to specialize in. During my time in MBA, I often asked myself questions like: "What kind of industry do I want to work in? What are my long-term career goals? What domain excites me the most?"

When you reach your second year of the MBA program, it's essential to clearly define which industry aligns with your strengths and interests. For example, when it comes to choosing a domain, you must be aware of what roles or sectors you are most passionate about. This clarity will help guide your career decisions and make it easier for you to choose the right companies to target for internships and job placements.

2. Continuous Learning and Personal Growth:

As an MBA student, it's essential to keep learning beyond the classroom. The world of business is dynamic, with constant changes in trends, strategies, and technologies. To stay ahead, I highly recommend exploring certification courses, listening to podcasts, and engaging with real-time market insights. This will allow you to keep updating your knowledge and make informed decisions in your professional journey. Continuous learning is vital, not only for career advancement but also for developing new perspectives on business problems and solutions. Knowledge from outside the formal curriculum will give you a competitive edge in any industry.

3. Networking and Attending Conferences:

Another valuable recommendation I have for MBA students is to attend as many conferences, workshops, and business meetings as possible. These events offer unique opportunities to meet industry experts, understand market dynamics, and gain exposure to real-world business practices. The connections and insights you gather from such events will play a significant role in your professional growth.

4. My Career Journey in Business Development and Healthcare:

In my own career journey, I began my professional path in the healthcare sector, working with Motherhood Hospitals. My role there was primarily focused on branding and marketing, where I gained deep insights into how marketing strategies impact the growth of healthcare organizations. The experience I gathered from that role helped me sharpen my marketing skills and build a strong foundation in the industry.

Currently, I am working with RX JX Healthcare as a Business Development Executive, which has shifted my focus towards a more

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comprehensive role. Here, I handle not only the marketing but also business development, customer acquisition, and client relations. My experience as a marketing professional has enabled me to approach business development with confidence and clarity.

5. Importance of Confidence in Client Relations:

As a marketing individual, it's essential to build strong, confident relationships with clients. Whether it's handling branding, promotional activities, or business development, confidence plays a vital role in creating trust and delivering results. I encourage all MBA students to work on their communication and interpersonal skills, as these will be key to navigating client interactions in the future.

In conclusion, my advice to MBA students is to be clear about their career goals, choose the right industry and domain, continuously learn, and attend relevant events to build networks. Confidence in dealing with clients and stakeholders is also crucial for a successful career, especially in marketing and business development roles.

Discussion 3: Sayyed Assel: I recently had the opportunity to visit Reva University again, as I did last week, to interact with the current batch of students. I would like to begin by introducing myself. My name is [Your Name], and I am from the MBA batch of 2020/2022. My specialization was in Operations and Marketing.

I would like to take this opportunity to share how Reva University played a significant role in shaping my career. Reva helped me build a strong foundation in both my professional and personal life. The university's environment fostered my growth, and it was here that I developed the confidence to communicate effectively. My communication skills improved significantly, which, in turn, helped me in negotiations with suppliers as I come from a business background. This ability to communicate effectively has been invaluable in helping me build and lead a team, manage people, and ultimately scale my business.

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Reva University also played a key role in instilling leadership qualities within me. I was able to manage teams more effectively, delegate tasks, and achieve objectives more efficiently. This has enabled me to pursue new opportunities and expand into different sectors. The confidence I gained from my time at Reva has also empowered me to venture into new areas, learn new skills, and grow my business further.

Additionally, there were many events and opportunities provided by Reva that were pivotal to my growth. One such instance was when we had the chance to visit IIM Indore, facilitated by Raghavendra Sir. This opportunity allowed me to network with like-minded individuals and learn from their experiences. It helped me understand where I stood in comparison to others and provided insights into how I could improve further.

Recently, I had a conversation with Nagendra Sir, and it became clear that one skill we could improve upon as alumni is networking. Building a strong network is crucial for growth and success. I would recommend that both the current and future batches of MBA students focus on building and nurturing their networks. This network will serve as a powerful tool throughout their careers and provide support at various stages of professional growth.

I also want to emphasize the importance of practical exposure for students. While academic learning is essential, gaining hands-on experience is equally important. I suggest that Reva University consider offering opportunities for students to engage in real-world business scenarios. For instance, temporary jobs or small business projects could be set up for students, providing them with insights into the challenges and dynamics of running a business. This exposure will help students better understand the business environment and prepare them for entrepreneurial ventures in the future.

From my recent interactions with students, I noticed many are eager to start their own businesses but are unsure where to begin. It would be beneficial for alumni, including myself, to step in and assist these aspiring entrepreneurs. By leveraging our networks and experiences, we can help guide these individuals and provide them with the support they need to turn their business ideas into reality.

Lastly, I want to express my gratitude to Reva University for the opportunity to interact with the students. I am always here to support the university and help the younger batches as they embark on their journey.

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End of the session

Vote of Thanks was delivered by Prof Malashree S and the session came to an end.

- Curriculum Feedback and Relevance, Certifications.
- Real-World Skills and Competencies
- Networking Opportunities
- Industry Trends and Emerging Fields

Key Take away from the session

- industry frends and Emerging Fields
- Importance of Domain Knowledge, Networking & Collaborations.Practical approach of learning.
- Subject Knowledge, Presentation skills, gain early experience with waiting for being placed in the specialized domain job, encash the resources in hand, Importance to sports during post-graduation education.

MOM by Bhavya K R, Assistant Professor, REVA Business School

Dr Shubha A, Dean REVA Business School

Attendance

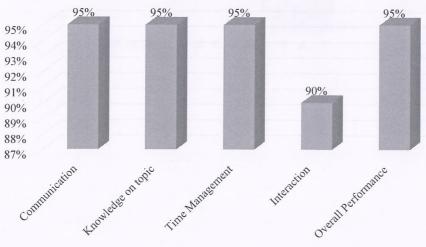
4 Alumni and 5 faculties have attended the program. (hard copy is also attached)

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Feedback





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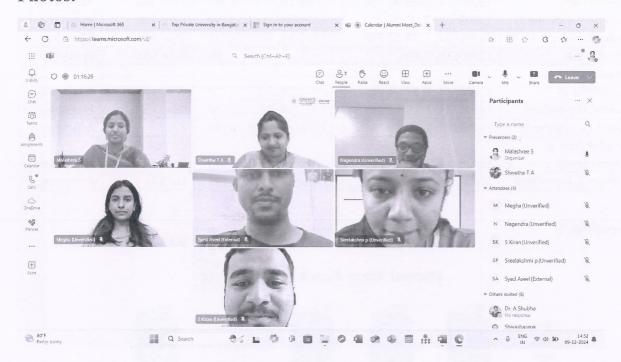
- The number is very small for interaction. Maybe we can focus on more candidates from various segments
- Great opportunity
- Nil

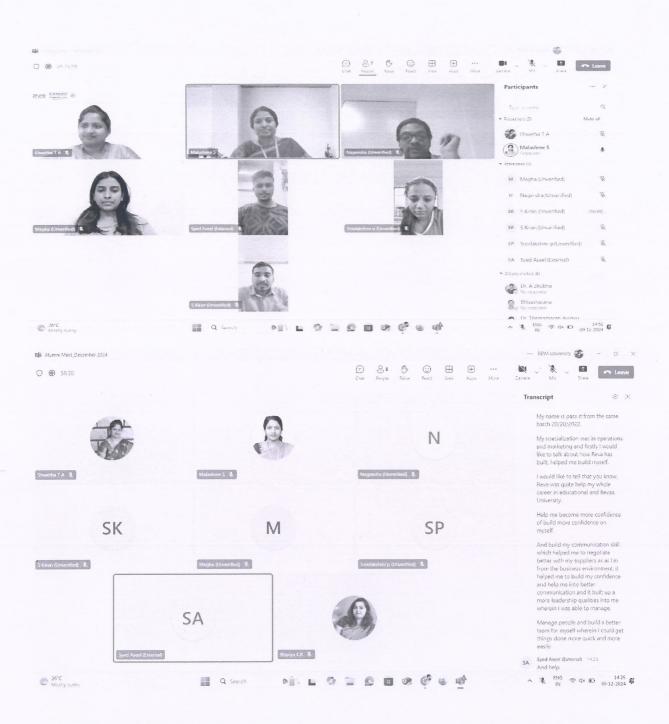
Actions Taken Report

Since the event is about discussions on understanding the alumni perspectives, current batch students were not involved.

Finance Report (Budget and expenditures incurred)Nil

Photos:





Video Recording Link:

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