

Biocon Academy successfully places 180 students and kicks off 7th batch of its Flagship Program

16 week Biocon KGI certificate program in Biosciences aimed at
Addressing Talent Deficit

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Biocon Academy, a 'Centre of Excellence in Advanced Biosciences Learning' a CSR initiative of Biocon, announced today, the commencement of 7th batch of its '**Biocon KGI Certificate Program in Biosciences**' in collaboration with Keck Graduate Institute, California, USA.

The Biocon-KGI Program in Biosciences is a uniquely customized program to make the bioscience graduate with a life science background ready for working in the industry set up. The 16-week, full-time Biocon KGI certificate program is delivered by renowned faculty from KGI and Subject Matter Experts from Biocon.

Biocon-KGI program in Biosciences received 380 applications for 7th batch from all across India from fresher's to experienced executives who aspire to contribute to life sciences. After a rigorous selection process, 30 aspiring students were selected including three from Malaysia for this program. All these students have been offered scholarship of 75% of the program fee.

Over the last two years, Biocon Academy has presented 180 bright and innovative minds to the biotechnology industry through this program and has achieved 100% placement across 6 batches.

Biocon Academy is an initiative to develop high end talent for the biotech sector by Biocon, Asia's leading biotechnology enterprise. KGI is a premier American graduate institution, devoted solely to bioscience education and discovery. The program's broad-based international curriculum encompasses R&D, Production as per GMP,

Quality Assurance, Regulatory, Product Development and Professional skills, which will enhance the career prospects for fresh biotech graduates as well experienced biotechnologists.

The program is also open for experienced professionals in the world of biosciences who are passionate and eager to enhance their skillsets & knowledge in the field of Biotechnology.

Bindu Ajit, Program Director, Biocon Academy, said, “I congratulate and welcome 7th batch of students to the world of Bioscience learning. We are excited to see this bunch of young and passionate graduates who have made a right choice to opt for a specialized course to make a difference in life sciences. We urge you to make the best out of this program and take as much as possible from the subject matter experts.”

Meghana Joshi, Program Director, KGI, said, “The Biocon-KGI program is a golden opportunity presented by Biocon to biotech graduates in India, by bringing courses taught by industry experienced global faculty from KGI and experiential learning from experts at Biocon. This program transforms the students into high end professionals by developing their critical thinking and application skills”.

Students Speak:

A fresh Biotech graduate, said, “I opted for Biocon-KGI program immediately after completion of my graduation, since I was not very confident of being able to face the industry expectations with only theoretical knowledge. I wanted to learn more about industrial application of biotech.”

Another student, who has almost 3 years of experience in the pharma company, said, “Though I had experience of working in a pharma set up, I wasn’t happy with my contribution and wanted to understand the holistic approach of application of biosciences to make an impact on human life.”

Biocon Academy, a CSR initiative by Biocon was launched in 2013 with an aim to train and develop industry-ready talent for India's Biopharma ecosystem and enable global competitiveness. The specialized Programs offered at Academy aims to empower the Biotechnology and engineering graduates with advanced learning and industrial proficiency through job-skills development essential to build a promising career in the Biotech industry.

About Biocon Academy:

Biocon Academy, a centre of excellence in advanced Biosciences Learning is a CSR initiative of Biocon aimed at developing high-end talent for the Indian biotech industry. It has been set up as a learning initiative to address the skill deficit in the industry. The Academy aims at enhancing the employability of bioscience graduates by providing them advanced training. It has been instrumental in shaping careers of aspiring biotech graduates while bridging industry-academia gap. For more information, follow <http://bit.ly/1R6jrhB>

About KGI:

KGI is a specialized graduate school in Claremont, California, USA, that educates future leaders of the Bioscience industry through distinctive Professional Science Masters and PhD programs. KGI offers integrated Life Science, Engineering and Business curriculums that focus on industry projects and collaborations. It is globally recognized for its premier Professional Science Master's program which is rated amongst the top 10 in the US.

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