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Prof. Mather delivered a lecture on "Financial Statement Analysis" under the ACBT Guest Lecture series started in 2014 by the Principal of ACBT with a view to provide ACBT students and faculty with international exposure on current trends in business, IT and research. The presentation was the second one held in 2014.



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The Library Facilities are available to all students enrolled in various programmes at ACBT. Following are some of the details that you might find useful if you plan to join the library.

Library Hours

Monday to Friday from 8.30 am – 7pm

Saturday from 8.30am – 5pm

Sunday from 8.30am – 3pm

How to get Membership

- Submit your the College ID/ Enrolment receipt at the security point.
- Request for an Application form from the Library Circulation Desk
- Fill it up & Return the completed application form with a photograph to the Circulation Desk
- ID will be prepared by the library staff within a day or two

Books

Our collection of books contains material to support both current programmes & research.

Books are arranged systematically according to a Classification Scheme. Guidance will be provided to proceed to the required subject or a book/journal.

We have books on all subject areas of Business, Economics, Law, Statistics, English, Marketing, Management, Computers, Science etc.

We hold a number of special collection project reports originated from past students, past papers, article extracts etc. for reference.

Periodicals/ Journals

The library has a collection of print journals & periodicals for reference. Past issues could be borrowed for 2 weeks.

*You may borrow 2 books at a time for 2 weeks. These could be renewed for another 2 weeks on request unless they have not been requested by another user. This can be done online or by visiting the library.

Books have to be returned on or before the due date. If not returned on time you will receive an overdue notices.

Books in the reference collection are not to be removed from the library.

Penalty

The library impose a fine on overdue loans. You are responsible for all items on loan in your ID card & the name. You will be charged at the current replacement cost for lost items.

Online Database

You may login to our library database as follows:

- Google 10.94.130.45
- User name: student
- Password: 123

You may use this link to Search/ renew/ Reserve a book online without visiting the library. And also you may check real-time availability of books & other materials online.

Photocopying Service

Photocopy facility is available for any member at a reasonable rate.

Study Zone

Each study table is designated for either groups / individuals to study in a silent study environment & to

help everyone to find their own preferred work space.

Eating / Drinking/ Telephones

Only bottled water is allowed in the library. Use of Mobile phones within the library is not allowed.

Institutional Membership

ACBT library has joined the institutional member group of the British Council, USIS & National Library of Sri Lanka . We have full access to their electronic databases such as EBSCO, ProQuest & Lexis-Nexis etc. Our members can enjoy their loan/photocopy facilities etc. For further information you may consult the library staff.

Research Assistance

Students involved in assignments/ research studies could contact the Librarian for further support.

New Arrivals for Semester 2/2014:

- ACC1100 Accounting 1 Lecture Notes by Therry, ellis-Newman, Hayes & Ryan. ECU 2010
- Consumer Behaviour 7th ed. by Pascale Quester et al. NSW: McGraw-Hill, 2014
- Information Technology Project Management 7th ed. by Kathy Schwalbe. Boston: Course Technology, Cengage Learning, 2014
- Organisational Behaviour 7th ed. by S. P. Robbins et al. NSW: Pearson Australia, 2014
- OB: The Essentials by S. P. Robbins et al. NSW: Pearson Australia, 2014
- The Business of Marketing 2nd ed. by K. Y. Lee. Perth: Stratstar, 2012
- Beginning & Intermediate Algebra 7th ed. by Rosemary M. Karr, Marilyn B. Massey & R. D. Gustafson. Connecticut: Cengage Learning, 2015

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MARIYAM MAASHA:

The visit was very informative for me and we had fun. It was very interesting. Field visits like this are very useful to get knowledge and to gain more experience in our lives.

DULITHA NUWAN:

It was a useful visit because we learnt everything about money. The barter system display was beautiful.

RANDI PIYUMANTHAL:

I learnt how to identify fake currency and how money is printed legally.

NICOLA DE SILVA:

I thought it would be a very old building but it was actually very interesting. I never knew that currency notes were made of cotton or that they glow under a UV light. The trip was very educational and also fun which I never thought it would be.

MEHRAZ :

I have been to museums in the past few months, but this was one of the best because it was well-organised and well-arranged. I enjoyed the group work and listening to presentations to retrieve information. Such visits create a good team spirit in the class and field visits help us get information in different ways.

USWATH MAJEED:

I thought it would be very boring, but it was very interesting and a new experience for me. I learnt how money

is printed and how Sri Lanka's currency history has changed.

NAIZER ANIS:

I thought it would be an old dusty place which was not maintained but it turned out to be the opposite. It's a well-maintained, high-tech museum filled with various types of currency which was used in Sri Lanka. I learnt how to identify currency and see if it is black money or not.

FAYAZ UDAYAR:

I learnt about the history of money and the many varieties of money. Field trips like this are useful to gain a better idea of subjects through example and experience.

THISHAN KAHADUGODA:

We collected important information for our life and we enjoyed as well. We learnt how to identify fake currency notes. This visit was useful because there are a lot of things to learn in a currency note.

ANOJ SHENAL:

The visit was very useful for me because I now know about the security features in currency notes like the special water mark, micro lettering and black light marks.

THILINA MADUSHANKA

I improved my knowledge of currency notes and coins and their history. I was interested in the currency making process and the display of coins.

MADHUSHIKA DILRUKSHI:

The visit was a good opportunity for us and it was awesome. I gained a fund of knowledge about old coins, bank notes and about how ancient people used coins. Through this visit we gained knowledge of things that we had never heard of or seen before.

ANJELO COONGHE:

I thought it would be a normal place with nothing much to see. But I was wrong. It was really beautiful and there were lots of interesting things to learn about. I learnt about how money is made, secret security codes and how to tell the difference between a true and fake note. The people in charge were really friendly and very interesting.

THEERTHA PANDUKABHAYA:

I learnt the history of money and the saw the shapes of coins used in different periods of time.

BANDUJA MADURANGA:

We collected a lot of important information about money. The barter system statue was very beautiful.

FATHMATH SHAHIDA:

It was good experience going with classmates and there was a guide to tell us about everything. I am now aware of the history of currency, especially the currency used by our forefathers and how present day currency is made.

VISITING FACULTY STAFF ROOM



As part of the refurbishment program at ACBT we have seen some new changes being made to our campus. One of these changes includes a brand new staff room for the visiting lectures. Equipped with computers, internet access, printing facilities and lot more it is truly a place where lecturers can work and rest when they are not conducting classes.

The staff room is a great example of how planning and hard work can create something beautiful. It is spacious and colourful, which allows lecturers to enjoy their free time relaxing and socializing. It also has all the facilities to store documents, mark assessments and upload marks, making all your academic work much easier.

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