## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT'S FEEDBACK**



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I had a lot of expectations and dreams as an international student. But I didn't know how to approach them. Tezpur University provided me with invaluable resources and assistance and supported me in accomplishing my dreams. I enjoyed my time at Tezpur University, and I appreciated the campus's beauty and multiculturalism. Professors were passionate about their work and wanted to help me improve; faculty and students were concerned about my well-being, and I appreciated and valued my thoughts. Also, I'd like to express my gratitude to the university administration for their efforts to safeguard and care for international students throughout the pandemic.



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What really made Tezpur University stand out for me is the combination of beauty, nature, culture, and hospitality. It left an incredibly positive impact in my heart that will last forever. I believe that what distinguishes Tezpur University the most is the feeling of living and uniting with the absolutely wonderful mother nature in addition to the amazing and cooperative staff who did their best to help me adjust and support me with whatever I needed. All of the educators, office workers and even the shopkeepers were very welcoming and supportive. The international Office in particular was outstanding. Professor P. K. Das was like a father figure to me and he always provided me with any help to facilitate my accommodation and PhD progress. The university also supplied me with all the tools I needed to comfortably finish my PhD. I had literally everything including a safe accommodation, constant access to the internet, health care, a great library, a computer center that is open for all students to help them do their research, and a shopping complex that catered all my needs. Simply put, I lived for three years on that campus, and I hardly ever felt that I am in need of anything.



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I am an adventurous person and always excited to try new things and meet different people and that has always helped me to adjust well in different environments. When I got awarded the scholarship by ICCR to study Masters in Social Work at Tezpur University, Assam in March, 2016, I was anxious, excited and really had no idea what to expect.

Fast forward to when I went to India in July, 2016. I was honestly prepared for the worst but hoped for the best. I had hiccups of delayed and missed flights but I got a warm reception by the University which always made it a point that all international students be picked up from the airport on their first arrival in India. When I got to the University I was warmly received by the head of international students and a girl from Syria who made sure that I had all my immediate basic needs. Settling in, I started to discover that I was the first African female student to be admitted in the University. This got me more nervous but it was interesting how people were so warm and friendly to me and the smiles and hi's I got as I walked around the university campus really cheered me up especially on days i missed home. I loved the University environment which has beautiful infrastructure and landscape. It was exciting how most of the facilities you could access on campus (Canteens, shops, Banks, health center etc.) and if you needed to go into the City's market the University bus was available. All these facilities made life at the university very comfortable. My academic life was great. I learnt a lot that has allowed me to grow more passionate about my profession. Doing MA in Social Work I had to go out to communities twice a week during my first year. Language was a challenge but my partners who were classmates where so supportive and you would not believe how much people in the communities loved me even though I only knew to say very few words in the local language. I also had a chance to visit Gujarat for a one month internship thanks to my department faculties who facilitated my placement. I made so many friends in the University not only with the local students and people from there but also with many other international students.

There were many Indian friends who took me to their homes during weekends and holidays. One friend in particular, made sure I enjoyed all Christmases by taking me to her home in Shillong which is one of the best places to spend Christmas in India. You should see the gifts i got on my brithdays and when I had to leave. My most cherished moment in the University was when my father died on 20th Septmber, 2017. The whole university mourned with me. The university management through the International office arranged a plane ticket for me to come home immediately which my faculties and friends there in India helped me to refund through their kind and generous contributions. If you are foreigner and considering Tezpur University for studies I would definitely recommend from my experiences as shared.