

Students' Guide

We BITSians are a confused lot, especially when it comes to deciding for our future. Most of us have no clue as to what to do after graduating from BITS. With A.R.T., we hope to address the concerns or questions specifically about research as a career option.

Alongside various talks by researchers, professors, grad students and those in industry discussing interesting problems they have worked on so far, A.R.T. attempts to answer some general concerns.

For example, the various questions that puzzle our mind include:

- How do so many courses actually prove useful later
- What should be my priorities now and how can I utilize my time better
- So many options like MS/PhD, MBA, Job, Civil Services etc exist. How do I identify which one would I'll able to handle better
- What is the actual work/study environment in various universities/labs? And how do they do things in a better way?
- So many research areas!! What is their scope and how do I evaluate myself with the skill sets needed for a particular area?
- And if I do identify a particular area, how do I go about it ?

These questions quite a few times end with "sigh! If only we could have talked to someone who was doing these things at present but knew how it was to be BITSian". Here is where A.R.T. comes to your rescue, by bringing these ex-BITSians back to Pilani.

How would it help? Here is an insight about the nature of the event :

- The speakers are graduates from BITS who are currently pursuing higher studies, are members of academia or working in industry research environments.
- You get to hear about the research that the speakers are doing.
- You get to hear about their experiences, how did they go about it , their feedback and get a clearer picture of how life is post BITS, thus allowing for a more comfortable choice regarding your future.
- You get to hear about the various research fields and other options, their scope, the kind of work involved and skills required.