

Great Lakes Institute sets up university in Andhra Pradesh

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BENGALURU: Chennai and Gurgaon-based Great Lakes Institute of Management has launched the Great Lakes International University (GLIU) in Andhra Pradesh, making it one of the first few private universities being set up in the state.

The university will commence its first academic session in August with two courses — a BBA and a B.Tech in computer science. The business degree will offer specialisations in business analytics, ecommerce and supply chain management, fintech and digital marketing, while the B.Tech degree will offer specialisations in machine learning and artificial intelligence, big data analytics, Internet of Things, and cloud computing and cyber security.

“The university aims to nurture future leaders who are armed with intellectual curiosity, critical thinking and confidence derived from strong values and a global perspective,” Mohan Lakhamraju, founder of the university told ET.

The other founders of GLIU include Bala Balachandran, professor emeritus at Kellogg School of Management and founder and dean of Great Lakes and Parag Diwan, founding vice chancellor at University of Petroleum and Energy Studies. The intake will be 120 students for each course.

“We’ve designed the educational experience at GLIU with a multidisciplinary approach in mind — drawing inspiration from top global schools like The Wharton School and Singapore Management University, and focusing not just on core competencies like business and technology, but also building a broad-based intellectual foundation through studying the liberal arts,” said Lakhamraju.

GLIU already has academic collaborations in place with Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Bordeaux University in Europe, and Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. More tie-ups are under development.

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