

MS/PhD Series 2.0 Episode 4 Launchpad to Success: Building your MS/PhD Trajectory 2024

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About the Speaker:

SYED MIKAYEL:

Syed Mikayel completed his **Bachelor of Technology** (**B.Tech**) in **Electrical Engineering** from **Aligarh Muslim University** (**AMU**) in 2024, achieving a CPI of 9.3. He have diverse experience through **internships**, **Auv Zhcet**, **SAE Zhcet clubs and as research intern at ONTORIO TECH UNIVERSITY.**He was awarded **with fully funded admission to the MS Program in Control Systems at University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.**

Introduction:

On Febraury 15th, 2025, we hosted an insightful online webinar **titled "Mastering your future: The ultimate guide to MS abroad" as part of the MS/PhD Series 2.0, Episode 4.** The event was organized by **Dr. SAFIA AKHTER KAZMI (Faculty Advisor) and Dr. M Saad bin Arif (Branch Counselor)**, with the participation of founding members and students of Aligarh Muslim University.



Event Start: Opening Address:

The webinar began with an insightful opening address by **Sadia Aiman**, who introduced Syed Mikayel, currently a MSc student at **University of Alberta**, **Edmonton**, **Canada**. Sadia highlighted **remarkable achievements** throughout his Bachelor's degree, emphasizing his **hard work and dedication** that led to his successful journey. She set the tone for the session by celebrating his accomplishments and inspiring participants with his story of perseverance and commitment to his field.

Keynote Address Begins:

Mikayel's webinar presentation provided a **detailed roadmap** for students aiming to pursue MS program abroad. He discussed key steps, starting with **GPA requirements**, and selecting the right programs. Mikayel offered valuable guidance on shortlisting universities based on academic goals, preparing for tests like **IELTS and TOEFL**, and exploring **scholarships and funding opportunities**. He emphasized the importance of building a strong profile, including academic excellence, extracurricular activities, and personal projects. Mikayel also **encouraged students** to remain focused and persistent in their pursuit of higher education abroad.



Closing:

The webinar **concluded** with an **insightful question-and-answer session**, providing participants the opportunity to engage with the speakers and gain deeper understanding of the topics discussed. This interactive exchange of ideas further enriched the learning experience for all attendees. **Sara Maryam** formally concluded the event with a vote of thanks, expressing sincere appreciation to the esteemed speakers for their valuable insights, the organizers for their dedicated efforts, and the participants for their active engagement and contributions. Her closing remarks underscored the importance of such collaborative efforts in fostering knowledge and growth.

