

TRIPARTITE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Literature and Transdisciplinarity

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AUGUST 27, 2021

11:00 AM (IST), UTC+5:30 hours

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Prof Andrew Davies

Director, Edward Cadbury Centre for the
Public Understanding of Religion,
School of Philosophy, Theology & Religion,
University of Birmingham, UK



MODERATOR



Dr Prem Kumari Srivastava

Associate Professor, Department of
English
Maharaja Agrasen College, University of
Delhi, India

PLENARY SPEAKERS



Dr Irina Symons

Lecturer, Department of Philosophy
University of Kansas, USA



Prof Vennelakanti Prakasam

Former Director, CIEFL Regional
Centre (Lucknow), India
Dean of English Studies CIEFL
(EFL University), India



Dr Smita Sahgal

Associate Professor, Department of
History
LSR, University of Delhi, India

August 27, 2021

Inaugural Address

11:00 AM (IST), UTC+5:30 hours

Plenary Talks

6:30 PM (IST), UTC+5:30 hours

Registration Link for the Plenary Talks:

<https://forms.gle/aU3mpKdtz5jdb7x5>

September 10, 2021

11:00 AM (IST), UTC+5:30 hours

Decoding the Art of Writing a Research Paper

One-Day Workshop for Students and Research Scholars

Registration Link for the Workshop

<https://forms.gle/RNRQHmNSdozT9ks67>

Fees for Students and Research Scholars Attending Only the
Workshop: INR 450/USD 20

Date of Extended Abstract Submission:

August 25, 2021

Word Limit:
800-1000 words

Send abstracts at
conferenceshss@gmail.com

September 18, 2021

11:00 AM (IST), UTC+5:30 hours

Registration Link for Concurrent Talks:

<https://forms.gle/a4649RVbSRztsQbC8>

Paper Presentation fees:

Indian/International Students :
INR 800/USD 50
(Inclusive of Workshop Fees)

Indian/ International: Research Scholars:
INR 1500/ USD 70
(Inclusive of Workshop Fees)

Indian/ International Academicians:
INR 2000/USD 80

Industry: INR 3000/ USD 100

Selected abstracts will be notified by September 5, 2021
Extended abstracts/ selected papers will get published with Macmillan

Literature and Transdisciplinarity

The idea of transdisciplinarity is inherently intriguing and fascinating yet unnerving as it aims at transcending fixed boundaries, daunting structures, segregated lives and genders, stereotyped orientations and spiritualities and dichotomous variables. At this year’s international conference forum, we aim at transcending not just geographical but also abstract disciplinary boundaries. We will try to move away from discipline-centric investigations and explorations. As the study of any discipline cannot be conceived in isolation, literary values too cannot be divorced from other matrices. Situating literature within a larger academic web of interactions will help re-establish it within its rightful place. We would try to create a more transdisciplinary approach towards constructing critical perspectives in and around literature. Our conference would try to engage literature vis-a-vis religious, cultural, political, psychological, social, philosophical, linguistic, environmental, business and even scientific domains. The discussion across three segments of the forum would try to examine narratives and orientations with the help of specific case studies, theories, praxis and examples.

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First Day would focus on the following thematic clusters:

Literature and Religion

Prof Andrew Davies, Director, University of Birmingham, UK (Keynote Speaker)

Literature and Language

Prof Vennelakanti Prakasam, Former Director, CIEFL Regional Centre (Lucknow), EFLU, India (Keynote Speaker)

Literature and Philosophy

Dr Irina Symons, Lecturer, University of Kansas (Plenary Speaker)

Literature and Mythology

Dr Smita Sahgal, Associate Professor, University of Delhi (Plenary Speaker)

The talks would be followed by a panel discussion.

Chairs for the Panel:

Prof Andrew Davies
Prof Vennelakanti Prakasam
Dr Irina Symons
Dr Smita Sahgal

Moderator:

Dr Prem Kumari Srivastava, Associate Professor, University of Delhi

September 10, 2021
Decoding the Art of Writing a Research Paper

The workshop is designed to facilitate students and research scholars in writing a well organized interdisciplinary research paper.

September 18, 2021
Concurrent Talks

As orientations overlap and interact in order to build wide latitude of theory and practice during the first two segments, the conference will continue to initiate new academic and scholarly interventions on the final day in the form of concurrent talks. The talks would try to explore narratives and orientations around the following themes but not restrict themselves to:

- 1) Religious Literature and its Social and Educational Function
- 2) Literature Rooted in Alternative Spiritualities and Orientations
- 3) Social and Cultural Texts vis-à-vis Mythology
- 4) Literature and Philosophy in View of Unified, Fragmented and New Self(ves)
- 5) Literature in View of Philosophical Enquiries
- 6) Literature, Political Authoritarianism and Populism
- 7) Literature, Language and Society
- 8) Literature and Psychoanalysis
- 9) Literature and Human Rights Discourse
- 10) Literature, Language and Identity Construction
- 11) Literature, Folk and Vernacular/Oral Culture(s)
- 12) Literature and Digital Consciousness
- 13) Literature and Environmental Humanities
- 14) Literature and Business Ethics
- 15) Literature and Medical Ethics
- 16) Literature and Epidemics
- 17) Literature and Yogic/Ayurvedic Sciences

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Mr Y.K. Gupta, Pro-Chancellor
Prof Shibaram Khara, Vice Chancellor

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Prof Anubha Vashisht, Dean, SHSS
Dr Pramod Sharma, HoD, SHSS

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