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From the HOD's Desk



Dear Colleagues, Alumni, Research Scholars, Students, Staff and all well-wishers,

With great pleasure, we present the Departmental Newsletters, which serve as a platform to engage, enlighten, and strengthen our commitment to fostering an environment that encourages critical thinking, scholarly inquiry, and interdisciplinary dialogue. Through focused research and innovative pedagogy, we aim to deepen our understanding of human society, culture, and the arts.

Our faculty and researchers continue to push the boundaries of interdisciplinary research, engaging with challenges through the lenses of history, philosophy, literature, sociology, psychology, and more. This year, we have launched several new research initiatives and projects that highlight the relevance of the humanities and social sciences in today's rapidly changing world. These initiatives not only reflect our commitment to academic excellence but also demonstrate our desire to connect our work with real-world impact. We are particularly proud of the strides we've made in fostering a more inclusive and diverse academic environment, a crucial aspect of maintaining the vitality of our disciplines.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the upcoming conferences, guest lectures, and cultural events. These gatherings will provide further opportunities for learning, collaboration, and intellectual growth. I encourage all members of our community to participate and contribute to these efforts. Finally, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to our dedicated faculty, staff, research scholars, and students.

Thank You.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nirban Manna', with a horizontal line underneath.

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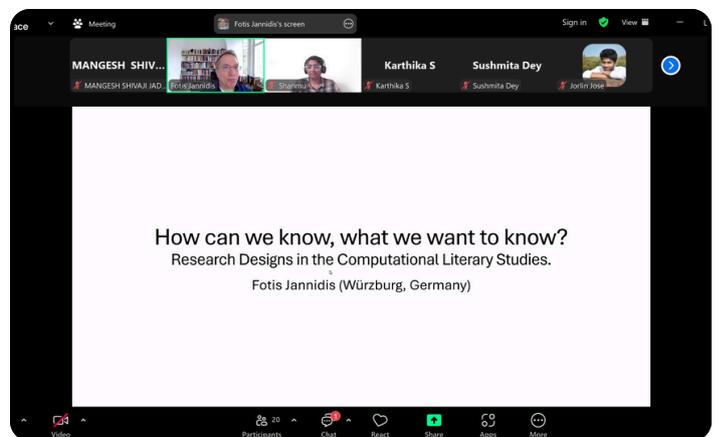
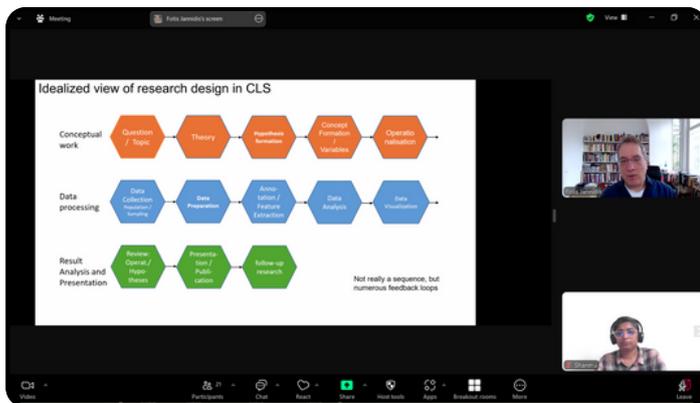
Online Workshop on Self as an Instrument – Practice and Research from a Gestalt Perspective by Kirti Singh

On 24/10/2024 : Online Workshop by Dr. Kirti Singh, Clinical Therapist and Faculty at the Gestalt Institute of Cleveland was conducted on Self as an Instrument – Practice and Research from a Gestalt Perspective, moderated by Dr. Deepika Sharma. This workshop emphasizes understanding oneself as a whole instrument in different settings, aiming for deeper self-insight and collaborative methods. Focusing on an anti-oppressive, collaborative approach, the workshop invites practitioners to deepen their understanding of their own identities and perceptions, using these insights to foster authentic, client-centered engagement. This event was a blend of practical application and reflective practices, encouraging participants to bring their whole selves into their professional work.



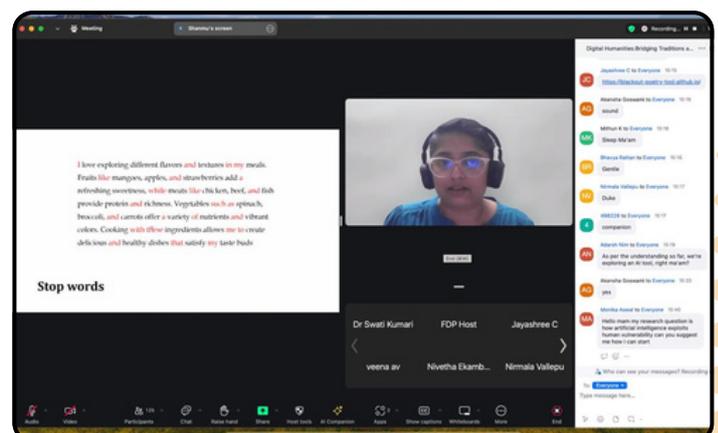
Online talk on How can we know what we want to know? Research Designs in the Computational Literary Studies by Dr. Fotis Jannidis

On 28/11/2024 : Professor Fotis Jannidis from University of Würzburg delivered an online talk "How can we know what we want to know? Research Designs in Computational Literary Studies". It was conducted and moderated by Dr. Shanmugapriya T



Online Talk on 'Introduction to Text Mining' by Dr. Shanmugapriya T at Jain University Bangalore

On 16/10/2024: Dr. Shanmugapriya T delivered an online talk on 'Introduction to Text Mining' at the FDP program at Jain University, Bangalore.



Publication

Shahiwala, S., Rahul, D. R., & Baker, J. R. (2024). Incidental vocabulary learning: A scientometric review. *Research Methods in Applied Linguistics*, 3(3), 100160. [link](#)



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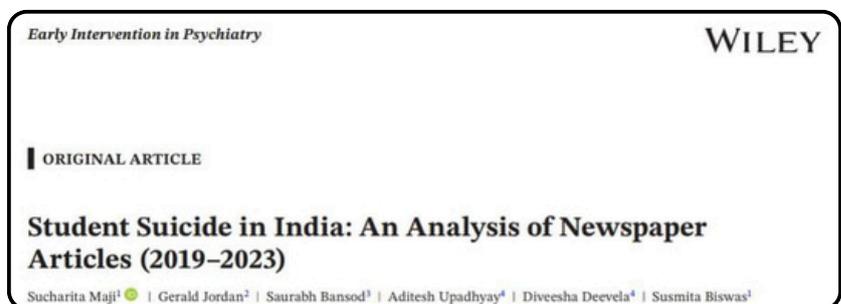


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Maji, S., Jordan, G., Bansod, S., Upadhyay, A., Deevela, D., & Biswas, S. Student Suicide in India: An Analysis of Newspaper Articles (2019–2023). *Early Intervention in Psychiatry*. [link](#)



Dr. Sucharita Maji



This research on student suicide in India is covered by University of Birmingham News [link](#)

Conferences

On 05/10/24: Saumya Rastogi presented a paper titled as "The Psychological Costs of Utilitarian Decisions: A study assessing the impact of moral decision making on Psychological well-being" in the 2024 Indian Judgment and Decision making Conference which was hosted at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Mandi. It was a two-day academic meetup of researchers working on diverse aspects of judgement and decision-making spanning different disciplines and approaches. It is the only academic conference on decision-making in the global south.



On 24/10/24: D. S. V. R. Anurag presented a paper titled "Ecological Modernization and Urban Water Governance: A Sociological Exploration of Circular Economy Transitions in India." in the panel "Policies and Politics on Ecology" at the 4th Young Graduate Meet, hosted by the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Mandi, a national conference supported by the Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR).



Departmental Diwali Decorations



Vigilance Awareness Day Pledge

On 28.10.2024 : Integrity Pledge on the occasion of Vigilance Awareness Week ; As we know, Vigilance Awareness Week is observed every year during the week in which the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (31st October) falls. Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) has decided, that this year Vigilance Awareness Week would be observed from 28th October to 03rd November, 2024 with the following theme:

"सत्यनिष्ठा की संस्कृति से राष्ट्र की समृद्धि"

"Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity"



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