Deadline Extended





Jindal School of Liberal Arts & Humanities

invites abstract submissions for

Undergraduate Research Conference 2023

(In)Equalities, Endurance and Innovation:
Liberal Arts & Humanities in an Evolving Context

Convenors:

Dr. Gargi Bharadwaj, Associate Professor & **Prof. Yasodhara Rakshit,** Assistant Professor, Jindal School of Liberal Arts & Humanities

Dates of the Conference: 1st and 2nd of April 2023
Conference Venue: O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat
Abstract Submission Deadline: 7th February, 2023

<u>Call for papers</u> <u>Undergraduate Research Conference, 2023</u>

Jindal School of Liberal Arts and Humanities Jindal Global University, Sonipat

(In)Equalities, Endurance and Innovation: Liberal Arts & Humanities in an Evolving Context

We are delighted to announce that the **Sixth Undergraduate Research Conference of the Jindal School of Liberal Arts and Humanities** will be held on <u>1st and 2nd of April, 2023</u> at the O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat. This marks the continuation of the success of our conferences from 2017-2022.

The theme for the conference is (in)Equalities, Endurance and Innovation: Liberal Arts & Humanities in an Evolving Context. For a long time, forms of prejudice have been studied without reference to discrimination and exclusion, or sufficient investment in ideas of innovation and access. In our post pandemic world, structural inequalities and implicit forms of discrimination have strengthened, gaining greater momentum. The precarity and impermanence of human life, households and communities experienced in the last two years, especially in the Global South, are unparalleled. Equally, we have witnessed endurance and resilience of individuals, communities, and institutions to not only withstand physical and psycho-social traumas and isolation, but also innovate and adapt to the challenges of an undeniably volatile future. The social, political, and indeed, the educational contexts that we inhabit today are characterized not only by economic uncertainties and increasing political polarization but also by ever-expanding diversity and greater opportunities of contact. Such changes to our present are likely to affect, among other things, changes in attitude towards knowledge formation itself.

Humanities and Liberal Arts colleges assume a special position in this context. They are central in imparting an interdisciplinary education that cultivates empathy and sensitivity to community service. They are in a unique position to facilitate the production of citizens who can critically engage in debates around political, social, economic, environmental, cultural and ethical discourses. They, therefore, can be instrumental in encouraging students to radically rethink some of the basic assumptions around the operation of societal structures.

The JSLH Undergraduate Research Conference, 2023 invites papers, artworks, performances and poster presentations that broadly respond to this thematic. We are interested in research that examines how forms of inequality, perpetuated by systemic and personal arenas of power, are routinely engaged with, reworked, and resisted by individuals and social groups within institutions (school, university, family, workplaces, and other social communities) and outside in domestic/ private spheres. We invite papers that look at how differences are represented across a wide range of disciplines, like economics, business studies, literature, sciences, history, sociology, visual, performing, and cinematic arts, psychology, politics, sports etc. We also welcome papers that use and discuss theories of intra and intercultural differences, historical analysis or use comparative research methods.

The twofold purpose of the conference is to foster and reward the scholarly efforts of undergraduate students as well as to provide a valuable learning experience. The papers presented must be, primarily, the work of the undergraduate student(s). Faculty members, who deserve recognition, can also be mentioned. Research projects must have been conducted under the supervision of a faculty member or professional in the field. Emphasis will be laid upon promoting interdisciplinary studies that look at the connections between varied social science and humanities disciplines. This conference aims to hear from undergraduate students and help refine their research ideas. Equally, the conference offers them an opportunity to get acquainted with the process and rigour of identifying and establishing linkages between critical themes of contemporary disciplines, understanding sound research design and methodology.

Through this flagship initiative, JSLH aims to create a network of undergraduate scholars, faculty mentors and experts of various fields. Students from around the country are invited to present their research before faculty, staff and other conference participants. Themes related to liberal arts, humanities, earth and environmental sciences, and different forms of expressive arts are welcome.

Format: HYBRID (in-person or online presentations)

Presentations will mainly take one of three forms: oral, poster and exhibits (mentioned below)

Oral : 15 minutes; using MS PowerPoint (or any visual media)

Poster : 60 x 36 standee

Expressive Arts : Visual exhibits or performance based expositions.

Those who wish to present their research in an artistic format must submit a short representative section of their portfolio in image/audio/video/text form with clear research findings and methodology (not more than 150 words).

Each abstract must clearly mention whether the presentation will be made in-person or online.

Selection Criteria (abstracts):

Interested students are required to submit an abstract (not more than 250 words) to the co-organisers at resconf.jslh@jgu.edu.in before 20th January, 2023. Accepted abstracts will be notified by 20th February 2023. Conference participation will need to be confirmed to the organisers by 28th February, 2023.

Conference Registration/Travel Allowances:

There is no registration fee for the conference. O.P. Jindal Global University will not be able to provide housing but arrange local transport for students within Delhi- NCR to bring them to campus from the nearest pick-up points in Delhi and metro stations.

The Venue of the Conference will be O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, Haryana.

Dates of the Conference1-2 April, 2023Abstract Submission Deadline20th January, 2023Abstract Acceptance Notification20th February, 2023Participation Confirmation28th February, 2023

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SIXTH UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH CONFERENCE, 2023





Submission Form

Name :

Official Address :

E-mail :

Phone No. :

Faculty Sponsor (name and email) :

Submission Type (Paper/ Poster/ Expressive Art):

Abstract (300 words) :

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