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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND LANGUAGES

Invites you to a

Five-Day Virtual

Faculty Development Program on

CONTEMPORARY LITERARY THEMES AND TECHNIQUES

19th June to 23rd June 2023

Session 1- 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

&

Session 2- 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

Free Registration

Limited Seats

E-certificate will be provided to those who
 attend all sessions

Registration Link:

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Schedule and speakers

Day 1 – 19th June 2023

Prof. Amith Kumar PV
 Professor
 Department of Comparative
 Literature and India Studies
 English and Foreign Languages University
 Hyderabad



Time: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

**“Memory Studies: Approaches and
 Perspectives”**

Prof. Sunil Goyal
 Dean and Chairman
 School of Social Sciences and Management
 Dr BR Ambedkar University of Social
 Sciences Madhya Pradesh



Time: 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

**“Contemporary Research Themes and
 Techniques”**

Day 2 – 20th June 2023

Dr Sajaudeen N Chapparban
 Assistant Professor
 Centre for Diaspora Studies
 Central University of Gujarat
 Gandhinagar, Gujarat



Time: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

“Comparative Diaspora Studies”

Dr Vineeth Radhakrishnan
 Assistant Professor
 School of Social Sciences and
 Languages
 VIT Chennai



Time: 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

**“Eco-Centric Literary Studies: A Theoretical
 Overview”**

Day 3 – 21st June 2023

Dr G Bhuvaneshwari
 Associate Dean
 School of Social Sciences and
 Languages
 VIT Chennai



Time: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

“Fashion and Feminism”

Dr K Reshmi
 Professor
 Department of English
 School of Humanities
 Pondicherry University



Time: 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

**“Themes And Trends in Indian English
 Women Fiction”**

Day 4 – 22nd June 2023

Dr R. Thahiya Afzal
 Associate Dean
 School of Social Sciences
 and Humanities
 VIT-AP University
 School of Social Sciences and languages
 VIT Chennai



Time: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

“Food as Culture”

Dr N Chitra
 Assistant Professor & Head
 Department of English
 UCE, BIT Campus
 Anna University, Tiruchirappalli



Time: 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

**“Elements of Literary Structure and
 Experience”**

Day 5 – 23rd June 2023

Dr Samik Malla
Assistant Professor
School of Social Sciences
and Languages
VIT Chennai

Time: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

"Theory in India: Uses and Abuses"



Dr Manali Karmakar
Assistant Professor
School of Social Sciences
and Languages
VIT Chennai

Time: 02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.

"What Counts as Disability? Reflecting on the Anxiety of Infertility through First Person Narratives"



About VIT

VIT has made a mark in the field of higher education in India by providing quality education on par with institutions of international standards in a cross-cultural ambience. VIT was formed in 1984 by Dr. G. Viswanathan, a former parliamentarian and Minister in the Tamil Nadu Government, as a self-financing institution called Vellore Engineering

College. Since then, the Institution has grown from strength to strength. It was conferred Deemed to be University status in 2001 by MHRD. VIT currently offers UG, PG, and Research programmes on its four campuses at Vellore, Chennai, Bhopal, and Amaravati. VIT Chennai is a globally engaged, competitive, comprehensive, and research-enriched university campus strategically positioned in the capital city of Tamil Nadu, to respond to major industrial, social, economic, and environmental demands and challenges. VIT Chennai is ably spearheaded by the Vice Presidents Mr. Sankar Viswanathan, Dr. Sekar Viswanathan, Dr. G. V. Selvam, Assistant Vice President Ms. Kadambari S. Viswanathan, Vice Chancellor Dr. Rambabu Kodali and Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. V. S. Kanchana Bhaaskaran,

The focus is:

- ❖ To maximize Industrial connectivity;
- ❖ To create Centers of Excellence in contemporary areas of

research;

- ❖ To enrich technological and managerial human capital nurtured in a multicultural ambience;
- ❖ To provide a common platform for the agglomeration of ideas of personnel from various walks of life for learning enrichment;
- ❖ To encourage participation in the national agenda of knowledge building.
- ❖ To foster international collaborations for mutual benefit in areas of research.

About the School of Social Sciences and Languages(SSL):

The School of Social Sciences and Languages at VIT Chennai is a beacon to the students who strive to achieve excellence in all walks of life. The School imparts state-of-the-art education and training in the fields of English, German, French, Spanish,

Sociology, and Psychology. It offers PhD programmes in all these domains. The faculty of the school comprises of qualified and goal-oriented members whose research expertise includes all frontier areas in Social Sciences and Languages.

Concept Note

Literary themes and techniques have been in constant transformation to suit the interdisciplinarity in contemporary academia. Contemporary literature encompasses a broad spectrum of themes that delve into the intricate facets of modern existence, tackling pertinent social, cultural, political, and environmental issues of our time. These themes, such as identity, race, gender, sexuality, globalization, technology, social inequality, mental health, and the environment, provide an exploration of the intricacies and obstacles faced in navigating the contemporary world. By delving into these themes, contemporary literature offers profound insights into the human experience within the context of present-day society.

Considering literary techniques, contemporary literature embraces a varied range of innovative approaches that defy conventional narrative structures and boldly experiment with form and style. Authors push the boundaries of storytelling by utilizing techniques like nonlinearity, multiple perspectives, metafiction, magical realism, hybrid genres, experimental language, intertextuality, and stream of consciousness. These techniques breathe new life into the literary landscape, inviting readers to engage with narratives that challenge traditional norms and offer fresh and captivating reading experiences. The speakers, would engage the audience with a range of contemporary literary development. The focus of the FDP is to make participants familiarize with new literary techniques such as memory studies, disability studies, feminist approaches, food culture and criticism.

Coordinators:

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