DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Departmental Activities - Yearly Report

(2018-2019)

Philosophy Department organized a series of lectures for the students of philosophy on the 21st of August, 2018 under the title:

"Exploring Avenues for a Future Career"

The aim was to provide them with some much-needed guidance on generally available employment options after acquiring a graduation degree in Philosophy with Honors.

The speakers were as follows:

• Ms. Kala Anjan Datta, former Director, American Resource and Information Center, Delhi, who spoke at length on the avenues open to graduate students wishing to pursue a Master's degree in library science.

Ms. Datta with her considerable expertise in the field of Library Science spoke on the changing scenario of publication patterns in a knowledge economy, especially relating to digital information, use of data bases, reference linking and preservation of texts in digital format.

She offered valuable information on when and where to apply for a diploma/master's degree in Library science and the possible routes to take thereafter while applying for a job in the field. Most importantly Ms. Datta stressed on the absolute necessity of inculcating the right habits of mind and the right attitudes that are required in order to succeed in the Services Sector:

- To be well informed
- To be proactive
- To do ones best
- To render service with a smile &
- Never to say no
- **Mr. Dinesh Kandpal**, anchor, reporter, announcer and Senior Producer at India TV, who spoke on a career in Media and Television. He engaged the audience with a string of anecdotes through which he communicated the importance of keeping abreast of news in

every possible field, making new technologies and social media tools, being perceptive, watchful and vigilant at all times, and learning "from everything and everywhere".

• **Dr. Bharti Sharma**, assistant Professor in the department of TT (Teacher Training) & NFE (Non-Formal Education) - Department of Education, Jamia Milia Islamia University, Delhi, spoke on employment prospects in the field of both Secondary and Higher Education. She shared details of her extensive research into a host of specializations especially relating to inclusive education (education for people with special needs) offered at Universities and other governmental and non-governmental institutions, all of which have wide-ranging job opportunities for students who opt for them.

The Department of Philosophy has plans to make this a regular feature for its students. It also aims to bring out short booklets of essential information that will guide students and encourage them to explore these avenues of future employment.



Lecture Series, August 21, 2018



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Glimpses of Freshers' Welcome 2018









Counselling Session by Maya Academy of Advanced Cinematics

The department of Philosophy, JDMC, DU, organized a career counseling session on 4th September 2018, Tuesday by **Maya academy of advanced cinematics [MAAC].** MAAC is the high-end 3D animation and VFX education. They have prepared thousands of students for careers in animation, VFX, filmmaking, gaming, and graphics designing and they are one of the best institutes all over India.

Three spectacular speakers –Ms. Neetu Sikka [director] ,Ms. Sakshi Babbar [academic counselor] , Mr. Gurvinder Singh [senior faculty member] delivered lectures on the various branches of animation and visuals. They Informed the students with necessary details regarding career opportunities, which would guide them in finding new future avenues.

Ms. Neetu Sikka said about how the team plans the detailed course outline customised on the basis of individual requirements. She pointed towards the unique features of the institution like the customized course content, the job opportunities it does lead one towards.

Ms. Sakshi Babbar discussed the dynamics of animation world and the various opportunities in graphic designing which is linked up directly with various sectors of job. Mr. Gurvinder Singh has expertise in the VFX and 3D animation area which helped the students to know in a detailed way about it, who were amazed to learn how the virtual world seems realistic to our naked eyes.

The session ended with an energetic interactive session where both students and faculty members interacted with the speakers.



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Parliament visit with the 3rd year Philosophy students- September 7th, 2018

7th September 2018, another beautiful day when we woke up with our lazy dreams and were hovering over the idea of leading to college or not when suddenly the excitement of our scheduled visit to Parliament House made us reach the institution earlier than usual. The visit although was rousing but hardly had we the idea of the thrill that awaited our arrival.

We started our journey with cabs and metros followed by a hearty snack to make the gathering a jamboree and we finally reached our destination. The eagerness although started fading away with the apathy of delay that we went through while getting the permission for the visit as well with the woe of getting separated with our beloved phones but this short interval proved worth when finally we availed our self with the opportunity to acquaint us with the working of houses and how the impertinent decisions about the lives of millions of masses are taken as well the way the very idea of our constitution came into being became clear to us with the zealous assistance of our beloved teachers Mrs. Jayanti Sahoo, Mr. Rahul Maurya, Ms. Sulagna Pal, Mr. Vel Murugan and the titan of the place Mr. Ramesh Singh; who all played a pivotal role in making this learning experience of ours fun-filled. Further, the stalwart attitude that the guide holds towards explaining about the history of our land as well about the working of both houses and the effort that the gentleman holds towards keeping up with the protocol of the chair that the place associates itself with; put forth the example of his dedication towards serving the nation

and his sheer commitment towards his job whereby he even gave us the lesson 'to work for the sake of working'.

The enchanting day finally folded its wings with us capturing some moments at the flash of our cameras and lots of memories at the pages of our hearts as a lifelong souvenir.



Visit to Parliament House - September 7, 2018



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Glimpses from the student's mentoring session, conducted by the Philosophy Department on October 12th, 2018 in the seminar room.





Donation Drive

Philosophy Department of Janki Devi Memorial College launched the initiative of helping the people of Kerala whose lives have been ravaged by the floods. The initiative saw the wholehearted participation of the entire Janki Devi Memorial College Community. The students, staff, and employees of the college went out of their way to contribute generously towards this cause. The details of the stuff donated is- 300 kilos of rice, 500 packets of sanitary pads, 1000 packets of biscuits, 200 candles and matchsticks, 16 cartons of bottled water, 50 kilos of pulses, medicines, flour, slippers, new clothes, sugar, salt, tea, soaps, plates, and many other edible items.11053/- INR cash donations have also been made.



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Symposium

October 29-30, 2018

The Department of Philosophy, Janki Devi Memorial College (JDM College), University of Delhi, in collaboration with Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) University, Bhubaneshwar, partnered by Novamantic, New Delhi hosted a two-day Symposium on 29th and 30th October 2018 at Janki Devi Memorial College, Karol Bagh, New Delhi.

The overall theme of the event was, 'Teaching Film Appreciation: with special focus on cinema as a medium of disseminating values.' The event received massive participation from both students of JDM College and of other colleges under University of Delhi.

Day 1: 29th October 2018:

Prof. Sanil V, IIT Delhi, graced the first day of the event as the Keynote Speaker along with Principal of JDM College- Dr. Swati Pal, Documentary Film Maker and Feminist Activist- Ms. Vani Subramanian, Dr. Vebhuti Duggal of The School of Culture and Creative Expressions, Ambedkar University and Assistant Professor of the Department of Philosophy, JDM College-Dr. Jayanti P. Sahoo as the distinguished Speakers.

Prof. V Sanil delivered an excellent Keynote Address following which Ms. Vani Subramanian spoke on 'Gender and the Cinematic Space'. Dr. Swati Pal delivered a presentation on 'The

Making of Villains in Bollywood Cinema.' Dr. Vebhuti Duggal spoke on 'Ubiquitous Listening Trends in North India. Lastly, it was Dr. Jayanti P. Sahoo who spoke on 'Post Modern Analysis of Continuity and Change in Indian Cinema'. The day ended with an interactive question and answer session among the audience and the esteemed Speakers.

Day 2: 30th October, 2018:

The Speakers of the second day of the Symposium were Ms. Anandana Kapur (Film and Art Director, Communication Paradigms and Film Studies, Jamia Milia Islamia), Mr. Sudipto Sen (Independent Film Maker and Cinema Academic), Dr. Soumyabrat Choudhary, Associate Professor, Art and Aesthetics, JNU) and Ms. Mahiema Anand who screened a short film at the event. The day commenced with Ms. Anandana Kapur speaking on the topic "Cinema Today: Interactivity, Immersion and Impact" followed by Mr. Sudipto Sen throwing light on the role of art forms in Indian Cinema and Indian Cinema's contribution in teaching Hollywood, the usage of narration, music and camera in cinematography. Ms. Mahiema Anand spoke on 'Creative Arts: a responsibility and a catalyst for change.' The session came to an end with the speech of Dr. Soumyabrat Choudhary on "The Passion and Performance of Madhubala in Mughal-E-Azam: Sexual Difference and Birth of the Actress."; followed by an enlightening presentation by the students of JDM College on "Reviewing Films on Gandhi".



Symposium, Department of Philosophy - October 29-30, 2018

Nandita Rajguru Memorial Debate, January 2019

The Department of Philosophy organized the Nandita Rajguru Memorial Debate competition on 8th January, 2019 as part of SYMPHONY at Seminar Room, JDMC. The topic for the debate was "Films have No Impact on the Regressive Social Practices". There were more than 12 teams of participants and registrations had to be restricted because of time constraints. Each participant was given 2+1 minutes time limit.

The jury members consisted of Dr Sudarsan Dash, Head, Fulbright Fellowship for Indians, United States - Indian Educational Foundation, Fulbright Commission India and Mr. Dheeraj Sarthak, Well-known Filmmaker, Documentary Writer and Senior Journalist. It was a successful event comprising of lively presentations. The teams which secured the winning positions are as follows:

First Prize - Poorvi Sharma and Diksha, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College

Second Prize - Laiba and Dhruv, Daulat Ram College and Swami Shradhanand College, respectively

Third Prize - Aditya Jha and Shubhreet, Aurobindo College

Best Interjectors - Noor-A-Nabi and Kritika, Shivaji College and Institute Of Home Economics, respectively

Best Individual Speaker- Laiba, Daulat Ram College



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Glimpses of Sports Day, 2019





Screening of "The Trial of Socrates"

The Department of Philosophy had screened "The Trial of Socrates" on February 8, 2019, in the seminar room followed by an insightful teacher-student interactive session.



Movie Screening - February 8, 2019

Bystander Intervention Program, March 2019

Rise-Bystander Intervention Program was conducted for the students of the Philosophy Department at Janki Devi Memorial College by the University of Münster. The program consisted of two interactive sessions by Ms. Christina. The first session began with the introduction of the students. The students were briefed about the aims and objectives of the program. Ms. Christina conducted a survey in which the students had to answer the questionnaire about their awareness of sexual violence and bystander intervention. This was followed by an interactive session where the students did fun activities which helped to identify a healthy relationship and different ways of communication. The second session began with students sharing experiences of sexual violence. Ms. Christina educated the students about bystander intervention and how to prevent sexual violence from taking place. The students learned how to use verbal strategies to intervene directly or indirectly as a bystander to prevent sexual violence. This activity helped the students empower and equip themselves with the knowledge and skills to intervene in an incident of sexual violence. The program ended with a take-home message where the students shared what they had learned from the sessions.



Bystander Intervention Program - March 2019

Revelation, 2019

Department of Philosophy, Janki Devi Memorial College (JDM College), University of Delhi had its annual fest "Revelation" celebrated on 1st of April, 2019. The theme of the event was "Cultural Syncretism - The Blending of Cultures".

The session was inaugurated by lighting of the lamp by Dr. Swati Pal, the Principal of JDM College. The guest speaker for the event was Mr. Quinn Clark, a research scholar at Columbia University, New York City. Mr. Clark delivered a captivating lecture to an attentive crowd on the topic "Cultural Syncretism with reference to Sufism". The lecture was followed by a delightful question-answer session and a buffet lunch, respectively.

The second half of the event began with a poetry slam on the topic "One Love" in which participated a host of students from the host college, JDMC, and other colleges as well. It was followed by the fashion show, "Andaaz" with the theme being "Ethnic Fusion".

The event later had a bewitching classical dance performance by Kathak dancers, Gaurashree and Damini, followed by a performance by Euphonie, the Western Music Society of JDMC. The event came to an end with an energetic Qawali music performance by Singer Satender Verma and his group.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Jayanti P. Sahoo.



Revelation - April 1, 2019



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Educational Workshop at Indian Institute of Art and Design (IIAD)

On the 9th of April 2019, the philosophy department went on an educational tour to the Indian Institute of art and design. There was a total count of 50 which included 2 teachers. The bus started at 10.30 am sharp and the ride was for about one hour considering the traffic. IIAD welcomed all, led to the auditorium, and pointed out important historical developments of the institution. Students were been divided into two teams, emphasizing fashion business and fashion designing. Both the groups attended the seminar followed by which they were been given a team

task in which they had to brand their product on one side and drape the clothes on the mannequin on the other side. After the completion of that activity, the students were sent on a tour of the campus followed by a presentation regarding the institution and were told how the post-graduate students could apply for further studies. The students were been given certificates and trophies based on their performances. The trip was educational as well as entertaining and the sessions were interactive. One thing that amused the students was the fact that there were no classrooms on the campus; all their teaching methods were application-based.



Workshop at IIAD - April 9, 2019



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Farewell, 2019

Department of Philosophy, Janki Devi Memorial College (JDM College), University of Delhi had its "farewell ceremony "celebrated on 29th of April, 2019, this year.

The event began with a sumptuous buffet lunch. It was followed by numerous mesmerizing song and dance performances by the students of both second year and first year of the department, dedicated to their seniors of the third year.

Students of the third year too gave some stunning performances on the farewell program after a humorous question-answer session with the hosts. The third-year students poured their hearts out on what they felt having graduated from this prestigious institution and as students of the Department of Philosophy, JDMC.

The event later had a lighthearted mimicry sketch delivered by the third-year students who impersonated the professors of the department. This was followed by refreshments. A number of games were played with the third-year students and gifts, along with titles given to them were announced. The professors then addressed the third-year students and hilariously impersonated them as well.

The event concluded with the giving away of the graduation hats by the professors to the thirdyear students and an energetic DJ session.



HOST HAVING A HUMOROUS QUESTION-ANSWER SESSION WITH THE SENIORS

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