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## DEPARTMENT OF LIBERAL ARTS



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## MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT

This is an exciting time for the department! With the start of a new Master's program in Health, Gender, and Society, we are cementing our commitment to interdisciplinary pedagogy. We are also going global, with international collaborations being actively pursued. Through a range of initiatives such as adjunct and visiting affiliations, MoUs, joint teaching programs, joint supervision, and others we look forward to exploring collaborations and exchanges across borders. Whether you are a student eager to learn, a faculty looking for opportunities, or development or industry professional, we are keen to hear from you!



## ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT



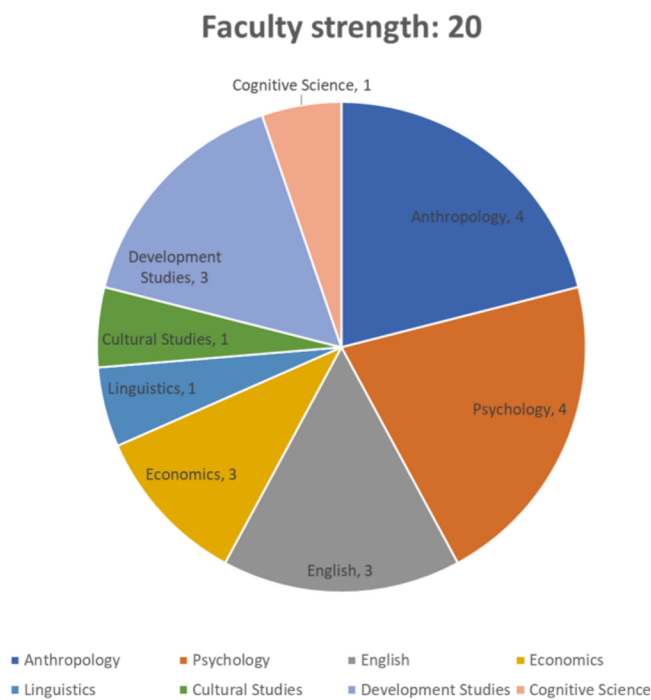
The Department of Liberal Arts is a vibrant space for the interdisciplinary exchange of ideas in the humanities and social sciences. The department is deeply committed to teaching innovative and intellectually stimulating courses to undergraduate and postgraduate students as well as world-class research in cutting-edge areas. In addition, the department places a lot of importance on interdisciplinary collaborations through projects of national and international importance.

Unique in its constitution and vision, the Department of Liberal Arts strives to pursue excellence in teaching and research to benefit students, academics, and the society. The department aspires to enrich the academic and creative life of the institute and cultivate a deeper understanding of humanity at large.



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DEPARTMENT

- 20 Full-time faculty
  - 6 Adjunct faculty
  - 1 Distinguished faculty
  - 7-8 Disciplines
  - 80 PhD students
  - 31 MA students
  - 1 post-doctoral student
- Master's programs
- MA in Development Studies
  - MA in Health, Gender and Society
  - Minor in Creative Arts
  - Minor in Economics





## DISCIPLINES

As a multidisciplinary department, we have faculty from a diverse yet connected world of disciplines of

- Anthropology-Sociology
- Cognitive Science
- Cultural Studies
- Development Studies
- Economics
- English Literature
- Linguistics
- Psychology



## ANTHROPOLOGY-SOCIOLOGY

The thrust of our pedagogical practice focuses on ethnographic research and theoretical frameworks emerging from the global South. Courses offered by the faculty include Media and Development, Medical Anthropology, Anthropology of Reproduction, Contemporary India and Environment and Society.

Research areas include popular culture, heritage, infertility, reproductive health, sexuality, technology studies and climate change.

## COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Cognitive Science at LA encompasses a multidisciplinary research ecosystem that involves incorporating techniques from diverse fields such as Psychology, Neuroscience, Computational Biology, and engineering. Our overarching goal is to establish cutting-edge research infrastructure capable of comprehensively understanding cognitive functions and fostering the development of theoretical models and transnational protocols. Research areas include sensorimotor learning, memory, emotion, and psycholinguistics.

## CULTURAL STUDIES

Cultural Studies critically examines questions related to culture and society while insisting on the fluidity and negotiability of these categories. Because Cultural Studies is essentially a hybrid discipline, students are also introduced to other related subjects like Philosophy, Anthropology. Literature (English and/or Vernacular), Gender Studies etc. Current research and teaching interests include eco philosophy, LGBT rights and Indian mythology, evolution of gender questions under colonial India, caste and law, and film studies.





## **DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**

Development Studies is a diverse and multidisciplinary space. Research interests of core faculty include migration and development, women, gender and development, village and longitudinal studies; sociology and social history of labour, inequality, caste, and public policy; applied micro econometrics in the fields of health, education, gender, and labour market outcomes.

## **ECONOMICS**

The discipline of economics has been at the forefront for creating an environment for both rigorous teaching and research particularly by emphasizing on application oriented and impactful research. Faculty and PhD researchers are engaged in a diverse range of issues related to economic growth, international economics, monetary economics, labour economics, development economics and industrial economics. The Minor Economics programme is a popular choice among undergraduates majoring in Engineering.

## **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

Research interests include contemporary and multi-ethnic American fiction, American women's writing, literary theory, gender and body studies, twentieth and twenty-first century poetry and poetics, literature and the visual arts, literature and philosophy, the gift in literature, manuscript studies, digital humanities, post secular theory, nineteenth-century literature and culture, queer studies, postcolonial studies, thing theory, diaspora studies, graphic novels, and popular literature.

## **LINGUISTICS**

Linguistics has been innovating on research in the frontier areas of theoretical and experimental linguistics spanning studies on syntax, semantics, phonology/phonetics, language acquisition, computational linguistics, and psycholinguistics. We explore natural language from formal/mathematical, biological, computational and psychological perspectives that lead invariably to interdisciplinary inquiries addressing fields as varied as psychology, neuroscience, philosophy, anthropology, computer science, and cognitive science in general.

## **PSYCHOLOGY**

The diverse interests of Psychology at LA include: positive psychology with an emphasis on resilience; organizational behaviour and work psychology focusing on cross-cultural virtual teams; teacher leadership, helping behaviour, eco-friendly behaviours, and ethical decision-making in the workplace; critical and qualitative studies on mental health, culture, disability and gender; and chronic illness management with a focus on psycho-oncology, endocrinology, chronic kidney disease and women's health; cultural aspects of health behaviour change with a focus on diet, exercise and safe sex.





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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Science, Technology, and Society Studies; Urban Studies; Infrastructure Studies; Climate Change; Air Pollution; Heat; Experimental Ethnography; Digital Research Infrastructure and Collaboration; Open Science

## SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Tackling Society's Grand Challenges: Approaches to Responsible Innovation in Science and Technology and the Indo-Pacific Region.[Funding agency:Ministry of Education, GOI, Fundidng amount: INR75,000]
- Democratizing Delphi: Towards More Inclusive Methods for Assessing Technologies for Development[Funding agency:NWO-WOTRO, Netherlands.Funding amount: EURO 50,000]

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Aalok Khandekar, Jamie Cross, and Anant Maringanti. "Scale and Modularity in Thermal Governance: The Replication of India's Heat Action Plans." Special Issue on Heat in Urban Asia: Past, Present, and Future." Guest Edited by Gregory Clancey, Jiat-Hwee Chang, and Simon Marvin. (Forthcoming)
- Kim Fortun, Duygu Kaşdoğan, Aalok Khandekar, Angela Okune, and Maka Suarez. "Re-Mooring Academia: Postcolonial and Infrastructural Challenges." Decentralizing Knowledges: Essays on Distributed Agencies, edited by Leandro Rodriguez-Medina and Sandra Harding. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.
- Editorial Collective: Angela Okune, Grant Jun Otsuki, Tim Schütz, Clément Dréano, Noela Invernizzi, Duygu Kaşdoğan, Ali Kenner, Aalok Khandekar, Sujatha Raman, Federico Vasen, Amanda Windle, and Emily York. "Open Research Data: Experimenting towards a Publishing Infrastructure." Engaging Science, Technology, and Society 8(1): 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.17351/ests2022.1885>.
- Editorial Collective: Khandekar, Aalok, Noela Invernizzi, Duygu Kaşdoğan, Ali Kenner, Angela Okune, Grant Jun Otsuki, Sujatha Raman, Amanda Windle, and Emily York. "Building Community with ESTS." Engaging Science, Technology, and Society 8(1): 1-8. <https://doi.org/10.17351/ests2022.1671>.
- Editorial Collective: Khandekar, Aalok, Noela Invernizzi, Duygu Kaşdoğan, Ali Kenner, Angela Okune, Grant Jun Otsuki, Sujatha Raman, Amanda Windle, and Emily York. "Infrastructuring ESTS." Engaging Science, Technology, and Society 7(1): 1-11. <https://doi.org/10.17351/ests2021.1275>.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labour, development, social inequality and gender, social history of labour

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Labour Supply Chains in the Construction Industry: Circular Migrants, Contracting, and Covid. [Funding agency: Azim Premji University, Funding amount (in lakhs): 10.73]
- Labour Migration networks in the Construction Industry in Bengaluru [Funding agency: ICSSR, Funding amount (in lakhs): 6]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Swenden, W., Sengupta, P., Sarvananthan, M., Surendran, A., & Ruwanpura, K. N. (2022). State Capacity, Ideology and the Management of COVID-19 in South Asia: India and Sri Lanka in Perspective. *Journal of South Asian Development*, 17(3), 409–415.  
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- Nayak, S and Surendran, A. (2021). "Caste Biases in School Textbooks: A Case Study from Odisha, India". *Journal of Curriculum Studies*, 2021.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/00220272.2021.1947389>
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- Surendran, A and Kumar, A. (2020). "Have RCTs brought back the "Empirical" into Economics?," *World Development*, Elsevier, Vol. 127(C). 2020,  
<<https://ideas.repec.org/a/eee/wdevel/v127y2020ics0305750x19304772.html>>
- Surendran, A. (2018) "Notes towards a Renewal of Industrial Sociology in India" in Chaudhuri, Maitrayee and Manish Jha (Eds.). *Doing Theory: Locations and Practices*. New Delhi: Orient Blackswan.





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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Positive psychology, clinical psychology focusing on mental health, resilience

## SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Resilience and mental health among young urban adults who have overcome childhood adversities.  
[Funding agency:Indian Council of Medical Research, Funding amount(in lakhs):9.6]
- Resilience program for students in higher education in India.[Funding agency:Shastri Indo Canadian Institute, Shastri Programme Development Grant (SPDG), Funding amount(in lakhs):3]

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Hakkim, A. & Deb, A. (2022). Religious meaning-making and prosocial action among disaster response volunteers. *Mental Health, Religion and Culture*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/13674676.2022.2116634>
- Aswini, S. & Deb, A. (2022). Strength-based approach in Indian clinical practice: Reflections from a five-year ethnographic study. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work*,  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/26408066.2022.2091968>
- Soni, S. & Deb, A. (2022). From symptomology to resilience: Case illustrations of recovery from OCD using CBT. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*,  
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- Khan, A. & Deb, A. (2021). Family as a source of risk and resilience among adults with a history of childhood adversity. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 121,  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2020.105897>
- Ghosh, A. & Deb, A. (2016). Positive psychology progress in India: Accomplishments and pathways ahead. *Psychological Studies*, 61(3), 113-125. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12646-016-0367-5>





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Studies, Migration and Development, Labour, Gender, Village and Longitudinal Studies, Mixed Methods

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Odisha Migration Study[Funding agency:International Rice Research Institute, Funding amount(in lakhs):160]
- Women and Work in India .[Funding agency:Indian Institute of Technology(IITH), Funding amount(in lakhs):8]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Datta, A. (2022) Migration and Development in India: The Bihar Experience. Routledge.
- Datta, A., Endow, T., & Mehta, B. S. (2020). Education, caste and women's work in India. The Indian Journal of Labour Economics, 63, 387-406.
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- Datta, A. (2018). Pride and shame in the city: Young people's experiences of rural-urban migration in India. Children's Geographies, 16(6), 654-665.
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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am an anthropologist by training. My research expertise is in the area of medical anthropology and kinship with a focus on reproduction. I have researched on infertility, assisted reproductive technologies and surrogacy since 2010.

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- A Preliminary Study of Ageing and Assisted Reproduction in India [Funding agency: Wellcome UK, Funding amount (in lakhs): 25]
- Post-Menopausal Reproduction: Ageing, Family and Assisted Reproduction in Contemporary India. [Funding agency: Indian Council of Social Science Research, Funding amount (in lakhs): 3]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Thapar-Björkert, S., Majumdar, A., & Gondouin, J. (2023). "There are two sides to everything": Re (locating) vulnerability in the surrogacy industry in India. *Feminism & Psychology*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/09593535231172592>.
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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economic Growth, Industrial Economics, International Trade, Public Finance, Energy Economics and Applied Econometrics

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- An economic assessment of electronic national agricultural market [Funding agency:MGNCRE, MoE, GoI]
- Nexus between cities, externalities, growth and poverty in India: A post COVID-19 on urban poor and slum dwellers.[Funding agency:IoE, UoH, MoE, GoI]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Behera, H., Gunadi, I., & Rath, B. N. (2023). COVID-19 uncertainty, financial markets and monetary policy effects in case of two emerging Asian countries. *Economic Analysis and Policy*, 78, 173-189.
- Shaurav, K., & Rath, B. N. (2023). Measurement and determinants of corruption across Indian states. *Journal of Economic Studies*.
- Rath, B. N., Panda, B., & Akram, V. (2023). Convergence and determinants of ICT development in case of emerging market economies. *Telecommunications Policy*, 47(2), 102464.
- Akram, V., Rath, B. N., & Panda, B. (2023). Convergence Analysis of Social Sector Expenditure and its Components: Evidence from the Indian States. *Applied Economics*, 55(33), 3850-3862.
- Rath, B. N. (2022). Understanding the role of trade agreements in Indonesia's FDI.
- Akram, V., & Rath, B. N. (2022). PUBLIC HEALTH EXPENDITURE CONVERGENCE ACROSS INDIAN STATES: NEW EVIDENCE FROM LM AND RALS-LM TESTS. *The Singapore Economic Review*, 1-24.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Sexual practices and intimacies within India's queer communities, Craft production in contemporary India

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Risk and Intimacy: Understanding violence taking place through queer dating applications in contemporary India. [Funding agency:ICSSR, Funding amount(in lakhs): 15]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Co-editor, Encountering Craft, Methodological Approaches from Anthropology, Art History, and Design, Routledge London, 2023
- “Old Tales through New Images, and New Tales through Old Images: Ethnography of a Jambavantaru katha (narrative) performance in Telangana”, Text and Performance Quarterly. July 2022.
- How Does Law Prescribe Circulation of Children? Understanding Different Kinds of Movement Within the Adoption Law in India. Journal of Family Issues. July 2021.
- “Identifying ‘authorized users’, identifying kin: negotiating relational worlds through Geographical Indications registration”, Contemporary South Asia, 2021
- Perspectives on work, home and identity from artisans in Telangana: Conversations around Craft. Palgrave Macmillan, New York. (Monograph 2019)





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Public Finance, Financial markets

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Chang T, Sethi D, Tiwari AK & Wang, MC. (2023). Revisiting the Twin Deficits Hypothesis in the United States: Further Evidence based on System–Equation ADL Test for Threshold Cointegration. *The Journal of International Trade & Economic Development*, 1–16
- Sahoo PK & Sethi D (2022). Market efficiency of the cryptocurrencies: Some new evidence based on price–volume relationship, *International Journal of Finance and Economics*, 1–15.
- Sethi D & Acharya D (2020). Monetary Policy and Financial Stability: The Role of Inflation Targeting, *The Australian Economic Review* 53(1), 50–75.
- Threshold level of fiscal deficit: revisiting FRBMA limit in Indian states, *Journal of Social and Economic Development*, 1–26.
- Sethi D, Mohanty AK & Mohanty A. (2019). Has FRBM rule influenced fiscal deficit–growth nexus differently in India?, *Macroeconomics and Finance in Emerging Market Economies*, 1–15





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconometrics, Health Economics, Development Economics

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Data Quality Assessment – During and Post Data Collection[Funding agency:Centre for research on the Economics of Climate, Food, Energy and Environment (CECFEE), Indian Statistical Institute Delhi Center, Funding amount(in lakhs): 5.84]
- Odisha Migration Study[Funding agency:International Rice Research Institute, Funding amount(in lakhs):160]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Dhamija, G., & Sen, G. (2023). Lasting impact on health from natural disasters, potential mechanisms and mitigating effects. *Environment and Development Economics*, 28(1), 1–24. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1355770X2200016X>
- Dhamija, G., & Sen, G. (2022). Impact of early life shocks on educational pursuits–Does a fade out co-exist with persistence?. *Plos one*, 17(10), e0275871. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0275871>
- Roychowdhury, P., & Dhamija, G. (2022). Don't cross the line: Bounding the causal effect of hypergamy violation on domestic violence in India. *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series A: Statistics in Society*, 185(4), 1952–1978. <https://doi.org/10.1111/rssa.12858>
- Dhamija, G., Ojha, M., & Roychowdhury, P. (2022). Hunger and health: Reexamining the impact of household food insecurity on child malnutrition in India. *The Journal of Development Studies*, 58(6), 1181–1210. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2022.2029419>
- Roychowdhury, P., & Dhamija, G. (2021). The causal impact of women's age at marriage on domestic violence in india. *Feminist Economics*, 27(3), 188–220. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13545701.2021.1910721>





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Medical Anthropology and Anthropology of the Media, Globalisation, Kinship

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Odisha Migration Study[Funding agency:International Rice Research Institute, Funding amount(in lakhs):22]
- Third-Party Evaluation of the Polavaram Irrigation Project.Funding agency:Polavaram Project Authority, Government of India, Funding amount(in lakhs):22

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- (with Kanaka Himabindu Pottumuthu) 'Smart City Stories: Case study of a city in South India' in Madhulika Sahoo et al (ed) Ethnographic Research in Social Sciences, Routledge UK.
- (with Mahati Chittem and Pooja Purang) 'Pandemic Times in WhatsApp-ed Nation: Gender ideologies in India during COVID-19' in Viral Loads: Anthropologies of urgency in the time of COVID-19, (ed) Lenore Manderson, Nancy J. Burke and Ayo Wahlberg, UCL Press, UK
- 'Struggling with Nayi Soch: Hindi Television Serials Today' In Manjeet Bhatia (ed) Locating Gender in the New Middle Class in India. Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla
- (with C.J.Fuller) Tamil Brahmins: The Making of a Middle-Class Caste. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.
- Where there is no doctor: Narratives on biomedical health care practitioners in Chennai, South India'. In Arima Mishra and Suhita Chopra Chatterjee (ed) Multiple Voices and Stories: Narratives of Health and Illness. Orient Blackswan.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Nation , culture and humanities

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Jalli, I. (2018). Theorising Gender, IGNOU Self-Learning Material for MA Degree Programmes, School of Social Sciences.
- Jalli, I. (2018). Feminist Theories and Feminist Politics. IGNOU Self-Learning Material for MA Degree Programmes, School of Social Sciences.
- Jalli, I. (2016). Body and its Fringes: Beauty as a Genre in Architecting the Nation. In *Figurationen des Politischen 1 und 2* (pp. 295–319). Brill Fink.
- Jalli, I. (2010). ‘Caste’-[ing] Gender: Caste and Patriarchy in Ancient Hindu Jurispudence. In Adekunle, J. O., & Williams, H. V. (Eds.). (2010). *Color struck: Essays on race and ethnicity in global perspective*. University Press of America.
- Jalli, I. (2003) “Dalit Feminism and Indian Academics” in Vaishali Diwakar, Swati Dyahadroy, Anagha Tambe (guest eds), *IWAS, Newsletter ( Bhartiya Stree Mukti Din Special Issue)*, December, 31.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Macroeconomics; International Finance; Econometric modelling, and academic journal/report writing

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Covid -19 uncertainty and monetary policy[Funding agency:Asia-Pacific Applied Economics Association, Funding amount(in lakhs):1.7]
- Third-Party Evaluation of the Polavaram Irrigation Project.Funding agency:Polavaram Project Authority, Government of India, Funding amount(in lakhs):22]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- KP Prabheesh, B Prakash & Vuniivi V (2023) Assessment of Fiji's exchange rate, Economic Analysis and Policy 78, 1282-1305<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eap.2023.05.013>
- KP Prabheesh, A Sasongko, and Indawan F (2023) Did the policy responses influence credit and business cycle co-movement during the COVID-19 crisis? Evidence from Indonesia, Economic Analysis and Policy (Elsevier Publication), 74, 243-255<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eap.2023.02.007>
- Sanjiv. K & Prabheesh, K.P. (2023), Reassessing the Dynamics between Exchange, Oil, Stock Markets and Uncertainty during COVID-19 in Emerging Market Economies, MethodsX, (Elsevier Publication), <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2215016122003648>
- Prabheesh, K.P. , Sanjiv. K and Shareef. A.O (2023), Revisiting the Impact of Foreign Portfolio Investment on Stock Market Performance during COVID-19 Pandemic Uncertainty: Evidence from India, MethodsX, (Elsevier Publication), <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mex.2022.101988>
- Prabheesh, K.P. and Sanjiv. K (2023), How Do the Financial Markets Respond to Emerging Economies' Asset Purchase Program? Evidence from the COVID-19 Crisis, Emerging Markets Finance and Trade, (Taylor & Francis Publication), Vol 59,1591-1606<https://doi.org/10.1080/1540496X.2022.2148463>





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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cross-Cultural Virtual Teams, Mentoring and Coaching, Eco-Friendly Behaviours

## SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Nurturing Interest in Science Education among Female High School Children through Training and Mentoring[Funding agency:Re sustainability, Funding amount(in lakhs):5]
- Competitiveness of Indian Technological Start-ups – An Exploratory Study[Funding agency:ICSSR, Funding amount(in lakhs):6.6]

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Etakula, H., & Ganesh M.P., (accepted), Executive Coaching Research: Possibilities and Vulnerabilities, International Journal of Business Excellence, DOI: 10.1504/IJBEX.2021.10039341
- Ganesh, M.P. (accepted), The effect of self-efficacy, psychological safety and meaningfulness of job on teacher effectiveness: A study among Indian engineering college teachers. International Journal of Learning and Intellectual Capital.
- Ganesh, M. P., & Ganesh, S. (2023). Using emotional intelligence and personal coping strategies to achieve work family balance in frontline hotel employees. Journal of Human Resources in Hospitality & Tourism, 22(2), 296-319.
- George, P. N., Ganesh, M. P., Chawak, S., & Chittem, M. (2022). Factors Associated with Choosing the Kerala Model of Palliative Care versus Standard Care among Indian Cancer Patients. Indian Journal of Medical and Paediatric Oncology, 43.
- Pullangotte, A., & Paramasivam, G. M. (2021). Development of theory of mind: importance of nurturance. Journal of Children's Services, 16(4), 346-363.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Chronic disease management with a focus on psycho-oncology, endocrinology, women's health, chronic kidney disease. Cultural aspects of health behaviour change with a focus on diet, exercise and safe sex

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Study of calcium channel expression and calcium dynamics in cells derived from Indian breast cancer patients[Funding agency:Indian Council of Medical Research ad-hoc project grant, Funding amount(in lakhs):54.2]
- 3D imaging based vein intrusion guide system for pediatric and geriatric healthcare. [Funding agency:Sree Padmavathi Venkateswara Foundation (SreePVF) Grant, Funding amount(in lakhs):238]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Modernist fiction; literature and the other arts (including Modernist art, ekphrasis, still-life painting, and graphic novels); and literature and philosophy.

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Ramesh Sankar, Nandini. "Potatosoap': Moly in James Joyce's Ulysses," ANQ: A Quarterly Journal of Short Articles, Notes and Reviews (2022). DOI: 10.1080/0895769X.2022.2059752.
- Krishnakumar, Rajalekshmi and Nandini Ramesh Sankar. "The Jinling Patriots of J. H. Prynne's Kazoo Dreamboats." Notes and Queries (2022).
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- Ramesh Sankar, Nandini and Deepsikha Changmai. "Between Complicity and Solidarity: The Politics of Representation in Bhimayana." Journal of Asian Studies 79.2 (May 2020): 303-334.
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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Sensorimotor Learning, Motor Memory Consolidation, and Brain stimulation

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Role of motor and sensory plasticity in motor memory retention, consolidation and enhancement[Funding agency:DST-Cognitive Science Research Initiative, Funding amount(in lakhs):73]
- Nature of Plasticity In Somatosensory Cortex And Its Role In Motor Learning And Memory Consolidation[Funding agency:SERB-SRG, Funding amount(in lakhs):30.91]

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Mathematical/Formal Linguistics, Theoretical Cognitive Science

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Semantic Processes in bilingual children that relate to production-comprehension asymmetries.[Funding agency:DST-Cognitive Science Research Initiative, Funding amount(in lakhs):20]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Mondal, P. Towards a Unifying Theory of Linguistic Meaning. Integrative & Communicative Biology 16(1): 2200666. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19420889.2023.2200666>
- Mondal, P: Towards a Unified Representation of Linguistic Meaning. Open Linguistics 9(1):20220225, <https://doi.org/10.1515/opli-2022-0225>
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- Mondal, P: A Unifying Perspective on Perception and Cognition through Linguistic Representations of Emotion. Frontiers in Psychology 13: 768170. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2022.768170
- Soujanya, P. & Mondal, P: The Mental Representation of Sounds in Speech Sound Disorders (Co-authored with P Soujanya). Palgrave Communications (Nature) 8: 27. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10516-021-09534-x>





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Critical and qualitative psychology, qualitative explorations of local practices of healing among marginalized groups, as well as health and disability-related projects, parenting and care in the context of autism, neurodiversity

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 'Invisible disabilities and long-term care: A qualitative study of family and institutional care arrangements for persons with intellectual and cognitive disabilities in India'[Funding agency: Indian Council for Social Science Research, Funding amount(in lakhs):8]
- Odisha Migration Study[Funding agency: International Rice Research Institute, Funding amount(in lakhs):160]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Ranganathan, S. (2023). Chronic relationships and mental health care: Global pharmaceuticals in a local healing shrine in India, *Anthropology & Medicine*, DOI: 10.1080/13648470.2023.2212212
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- Kottai, S. & Ranganathan, S. (2021). When 'care' leads to 'chronicity': exploring the changing contours of care of homeless people living on the streets in India. In L. Montesi and M. Calestani (Eds.). *Managing Chronicity in Unequal States: Ethnographic perspectives on caring*. UCL Press.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Postsecular Theory; Studies on Religion and Secularism; Nineteenth-Century Literature and Culture; Gender, Sexuality and Queer Studies; Postcolonial Studies; Posthuman Theory; Cultural Studies; Thing Theory; Diaspora Studies; Graphic Novels; Popular Literature and Culture, New Woman Literature; Discourses of the Hijab; and Anglo-Indian History and Culture

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Risk and Intimacy: Understanding violence taking place through queer dating applications in contemporary India. [Funding agency: Indian Council for Social Science Research, Funding amount (in lakhs): 15]
- 'Designing and Disseminating Picture Books on Sexual Health and Consent: Taking the conversation to Children, Doctors, Teachers', [Field Work underway].

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- "Criminal Mesmerism, Culpability, and the Automaton in Richard Marsh," Victorian Automata: Mechanism and Agency in the Nineteenth Century. Cambridge University Press
- Colonial Idols in British and Anglo-Indian Literature: Religion and the Non-Human in Postcolonial Culture. [Monograph, Forthcoming from Routledge, USA]
- "‘Rosy Ki Khwaheeshein’: Scripted Romance and Acquaintance Rape in Alankrita Shrivastava's Oeuvre of Female Desire," In Women Filmmakers in Contemporary Hindi Cinema: Looking through their Gaze. Edited by Aysha Iqbal Viswamohan. Palgrave Macmillan [<https://link.springer.com/book/9783031102318>]
- "Of Mahatmas and Chelas: Theosophy and the 'Cartography of the Supernatural' in Richard Marsh and F. Anstey." In Victorian Popular Fictions Journal. 1.2 (2019).
- "Relocating Home and Diasporising the South Asian Queer in Divakaruni and Patil." In Beyond Trishanku: Diaspora Poetics and Homing in South Asian Women's Writing. Edited by Shilpa Daithota Bhat. Lanham, Boulder, New York and London: Lexington Books, 2018.





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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Body Image Studies, Gender Studies, Masculinity Studies, Contemporary and Multiethnic American Fiction, Literary Theory

### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Addressing the Challenges in Scholarly Writing among Non-Native Speakers of English: A Rhetorical and Pedagogical Approach.[Funding agency:IIT Hyderabad, Funding amount(in lakhs):3.45]
- Body Image and Female Identity: Popular Perceptions, Theoretical Interventions and Possible Implications[Funding agency:ICSSR, Funding amount(in lakhs):7]

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Chatterjee, Srirupa and Swathi Krishna S. "Roads, Misogyny, and the Rape Culture in Joyce Carol Oates' Rape: A Love Story and Cara Hoffman's So Much Pretty." LIT: Literature Interpretation Theory. (Summer 2023)
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- Anand, Aswathi V. and Srirupa Chatterjee. "Overcoming Daddy: The Daughter's Rite of Passage in Joyce Carol Oates' Late Novels." Critique: Studies in Contemporary Fiction. 63.3 (2021): 296-308. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00111619.2021.2018988>
- Krishna S., Swathi and Srirupa Chatterjee. "Between Maternity and Autonomy: Radical Mothering in Mona Simpson's Anywhere but Here." Critique: Studies in Contemporary Fiction. 63.2 (August 2021): 232-246. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00111619.2021.1959291>
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Paresh's research interests are in Applied Econometrics and Financial Markets. He has published over 380 papers in international refereed journals and has the distinguished title of a high cited researcher over 5 consecutive years (2017-2021), with an h-index of 88. He is ranked 544 by Stanford University amongst 9 million researchers globally.

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Ms. Mridula Anand was also awarded the title 'Bharata Kala Bhushana' during the 32nd anniversary celebrations of Sree Bharatalaya titled 'Natya Devo Bhava' in 2002. She also received the prestigious 'Yuva Kala Bharati' in 2009. She was the Cultural Chairperson at the Sri Venkateswara Temple, Pittsburgh, USA for the 2006-2007 year.

Ms. Mridula then completed a Masters in Molecular Biology at Stanford University, USA in 2005 and moved to Pittsburgh USA where she continued her research work at the University of Pittsburgh, PA before coming to India (Hyderabad) in mid-2008.

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Mr. Timothy Marthand, Founder of SOTA, is pioneering a new understanding to an art that has already seen many heroes.

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# PROGRAMS

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The PhD programme in the Department of Liberal Arts offers resources that enable our students to do world-class research—passionate and committed faculty members, a rapidly growing library, generous monthly fellowships, and ample grants for fieldwork and conference travel. Students collaborate closely with faculty mentors and produce high quality publications in addition to their PhD dissertations.

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- Cognitive Science
- Cultural Studies
- Development Studies
- Economics
- English Literature
- Linguistics
- Psychology





# PROGRAMS

## MA DS: MASTERS IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

The concern with development encompasses all aspects of human life – physical, psychological, cultural, political, economic and ecological. The challenge is to train and conceive of professionals and roles that can critically inform ways in which these different areas of life affect one another. Through its interdisciplinary approach, the Development Studies program does just that.

Courses	Core /Elective	Credits
1.1 Development Theory and Practice	Core	3
1.3 Quantitative Research Methods	Core	3
1.4 Health and Society	Core	3
1.5 Contemporary India	Core	3
2.1 Environment and Society	Core	3
2.2 Social Exclusion, Social Justice and Development	Core	3
2.3 Qualitative Research Methods	Core	3
2.4 Disability, Mental Health and Development	Elective	3
2.5 Population and Development	Elective	3
2.6 Impact Evaluation	Elective	3
2.7 Free Elective	Elective	3
Summer Internship		6
3.1 Labour and Development	Core	3
3.2 Health, Economics and Policy	Elective	3
3.3 Media and Development	Elective	3
3.4 Cultural Perspectives on Development: Examining Race	Elective	3
3.5 Chronic Disease Management	Elective	3
3.6 Migration, Mobility and Development	Elective	3
3.7 Free Elective	Elective	3
3.8 Dissertation Proposal Seminar		2
Seminar Series		1
Dissertation		12



## MA HGS:MASTERS IN HEALTH, GENDER AND SOCIETY

The Department offers a unique MA program in Health, Gender and Society (HGS), designed to enable innovative and rigorous research to address social problems in the area of health and gender in contemporary India. With dedicated internship and dissertation components, this two-year full-time program offers students a formidable and challenging platform from which they can engage with contemporary research and professional practice in India and across the globe.

Courses	Core/Elective	Credits
1.1 Health and Society	Core	3
1.2 Gender and Public Policy	Core	3
1.3. Anthropology of Reproduction	Core	3
1.4 Cross Cultural aspects of health	Core	3
1.5 Quantitative Research Methods for Behavioural Sciences	Core	3
2.1. Disability, Mental Health and Development	Core	3
2.2 Qualitative Research Methods	Core	3
2.3 Medical Anthropology	Core	3
2.4 Ageing, Health and Development	Elective	3
2.5 Impact Evaluation	Elective	3
2.6 Mental Health and Gender	Elective	3
2.7 Statistics	Elective	3
MA Internship		6
1. Health, Economics and Policy	Core	3
2. Positive Psychology	Elective	3
3. Chronic Disease Management	Elective	3
4. Gendering (un)wellness narratives: A Literary- Cultural Persp	Elective	3
5. Dissertation Proposal Seminar		2
MA Dissertation		12
Seminars over the course by invited speakers		1



## MINOR IN ECONOMICS

We offer foundational training in different aspects of economics

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- Econometrics
- Public finance and public policy



## CREATIVE ARTS

LA at IIT Hyderabad integrates into its curriculum courses in the Fine Arts and the Performing Arts, unified under the rubric of "Creative Arts". Currently, students choose from a wide range of 1-credit courses every semester as shown below:

Courses	Total Credits
CA 50043: Creative Thinking and Mastery (3 credits)	3
CA50033: Appreciation of World Music (2 credits) + 1 Elective (1 credit; selection from the Electives basket)	3
CA50023: Heritage and sustainability (3 credits)	3
CA50013: Sentiments and Psychology through Indian classical dance (2 credits) + 1 Elective (1 credit; selection from the Electives basket)	3



These extremely popular courses are offered by reputed practising artists from India and abroad rather than full-time academics, so that students can have a hands-on encounter with the arts outside of typical textbook-oriented teaching and learning environments. We also offer a Minor course in Creative Arts.



## RESEARCH FACILITIES- COGNITIVE SCIENCE

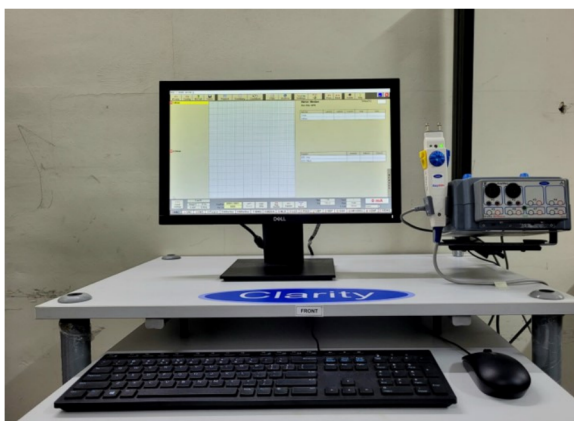


### Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) System

TMS is a noninvasive procedure that uses magnetic fields to stimulate neurons in the cortical brain areas. TMS can be used to inhibit or excite brain regions to assess their causal role in a cognitive process

### Electromyogram (EMG)

Two-channel EMG records muscle activity and Motor evoked Potential (MEP) in response to magnetic stimulation to measure cortical excitability



### Nerve Stimulator

Nerve Stimulator is used for the peripheral nerve stimulation and measure the Sensory Evoked Potentials (SEP).

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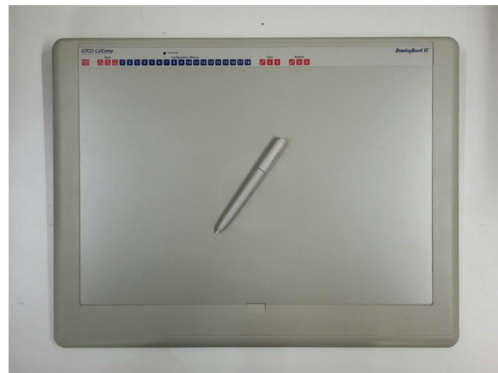


### **Electroencephalogram (EEG)**

EEG measures the electrical activity of the brain using active electrodes placed on scalp. Real-time EEG data analysis can be used for performing closed-loop TMS.

### **Digitizing Tablet**

Tablet is used to record the hand movement through the stylus in various motor learning task.



### **VR Frame Setup**

Frame is used in combination with Digitizing Tablet to manipulate the visual information of hand position to induce various kinds of motor learning.



# RESEARCH FACILITIES- DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

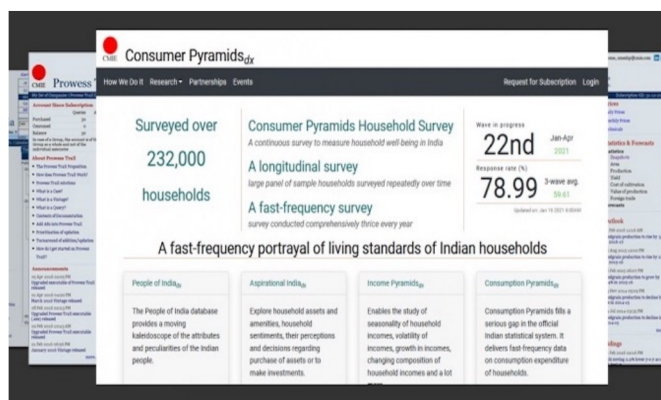
## STATA Software

Stata is a statistical software package that provides a comprehensive suite of tools for data analysis, data management, and graphics. It is widely used by researchers, economists, social scientists, and other professionals in various fields. It offers a user-friendly interface that allows users to easily import, clean, and manipulate data. It supports a wide range of data formats, including Excel, CSV, and databases, and provides powerful data management features such as sorting, merging, and reshaping datasets.



## Consumer Pyramids Household Survey (CPHS)

CPHS is a survey conducted by the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) in India. It collects data on various aspects of households, including their income, expenditure, savings, employment, education, health, and demographics. The CPHS is known for its large sample size and longitudinal nature. It follows a panel design, where a representative sample of households is surveyed repeatedly over time. This allows researchers to track changes in household characteristics, consumption patterns, and economic outcomes over time.





## RESEARCH FACILITIES- DIGITAL HUMANITIES



## RESEARCH FACILITIES- LINGUISTICS



### 2-channel electroglottograph (EG2-PCX)

This is used to analyze speech data to find out certain patterns of voicing in order to gather evidence about our hypotheses on mental representations of sounds.



## RESEARCH FACILITIES- ECONOMICS



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## BOOK PUBLICATIONS



Chandan Bose and Meera Mohsini (Eds.) *Encountering Craft: Methodological Approaches from Anthropology, Art History, and Design*. Routledge, 2023.

Shuhita Bhattacharjee. *Postsecular Theory: Texts and Contexts*. Orient Blackswan, 2023.

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Prakash Mondal. *Language, Biology, and Cognition: A Critical Perspective*. Springer Nature, 2020.

Anindita Majumdar. *Surrogacy: Oxford India Short Introductions*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2019

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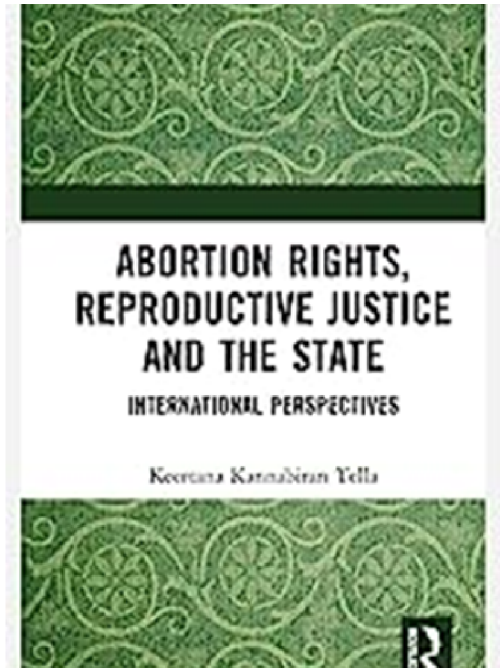
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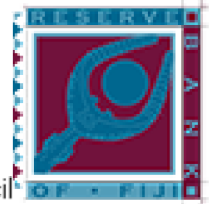


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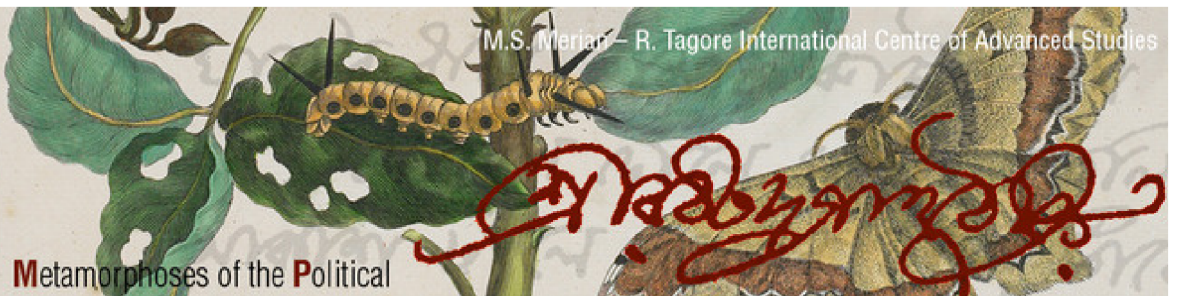
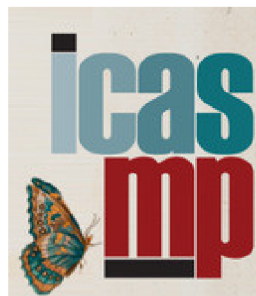
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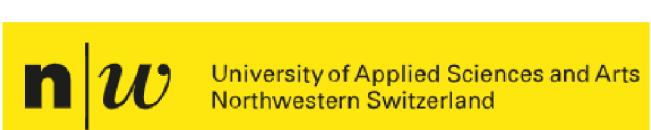
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