

Participants

Deans, Heads of departments and Faculty from Colleges and Universities.

Registration

Last date for registrations: 31 January 2020

Outstation Participants

Rs. 1,500/- (Rupees One Thousand five hundred only) per person (includes seminar kit, food and accommodation).

Local Participants

Rs. 1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) per person (includes seminar kit, lunch and tea on all days of the conference).

Payment Details

Demand Draft (DD) for the specified amount to be drawn in favour of "Christ University, Bangalore" payable at Bangalore.

Accommodation

Accommodation for all the outstation participants will be provided at the Centre for Academic Excellence, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Hosur Road, Bengaluru-560029.

Venue

Seminar Hall, IV Floor, Christ Junior College Block, Bengaluru-560029.

Address for communication and for further information

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CHRIST
(Deemed to be University), Bangalore

National Seminar
on

Democracy:
An Educational Urgency in
Multicultural and
Multi-Religious Contexts

Organized by
Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC)
CHRIST (Deemed to be University)
on

11-12 February 2020

About the University

CHRIST (Deemed to be University) was born out of the educational vision of St Kuriakose Elias Chavara, an educationalist and social reformer of the nineteenth century in South India. He founded the first Catholic indigenous congregation, Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI) in 1831 in South India, which administers CHRIST (Deemed to be University).

Established in 1969 as Christ College, it undertook path-breaking initiatives in Indian higher education with the introduction of innovative and modern curricula, insistence on academic discipline, imparting of Holistic Education and adoption of global higher education practices with the support of creative and dedicated staff. The University Grants Commission conferred Autonomy to Christ College in 2005 and identified it as an Institution with Potential for Excellence in 2006. In 2008, under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Ministry of Human Resources Development of the Government of India, declared the institution a Deemed to be University. One of the first institutions in India to be accredited in 1998 by the NAAC, and subsequently in 2004 and 2016 CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has the top grade 'A' in the 4-point scale.

The multi-disciplinary University which focuses on teaching, research and service offers Bachelor to Doctoral programmes in Humanities, Social Sciences, Science, Commerce, Management, Engineering, Education and Law to over 22,500 students. The campus is a living example for the harmonious multiculturalism with students from all the states of India and from around 60 different countries. CHRIST (Deemed to be University) publishes six peer-reviewed research journals and has published around 200 books in Kannada and in English. A promoter of sports, music and literary activities, it is a nurturing ground for creative excellence.

Background

The National Seminar on "Democracy: An Educational Urgency in Multicultural and Multi-Religious Contexts" creates a platform for different stakeholders such as universities, public and private institutions, specialists and people involved in political and social issues, working in the fields of education, public ethics and social and political sciences to deliberate on the theme of the seminar. The deliberations will engage with the theoretical foundations of democracy leading to activation of training courses from a higher educational perspective. The initiative aims at promoting a fairer and more humane democratic citizenship, respectful of human rights through enlightened pedagogic means to promote democracy.

The seminar has been initiated with the assumption that democratic thinking and the political-institutional forms of the current democracies came about at a time and in contexts that no longer exist, and that political developments have not been able to keep pace with global events. This observation leads us to think that crisis of the current democracies is connected to the distance between the "historical" vision of democracy and the new global scenarios, rich in changes and upheavals. These changes, of course, take place in a global, multicultural and multireligious scenario, in which citizens share the same public space even though they belong to different cultures, traditions and religions with different political attitudes, different legal systems and views, unequal opportunities, a different sensitivity with respect to cooperation and solidarity.

Hence, we are delighted to inform that the national Seminar on "Democracy: An Educational Urgency in Multicultural and Multi-Religious Contexts" has been planned on 11 and 12 February 2020. The seminar

will focus on crafting the curriculum and pedagogical approaches to democracy leading to credit-based courses in Colleges and Universities. The seminar consisting of key panel discussions will be preceded by keynotes by experts and resource persons on the subject in higher education.

We look forward to your active participation and presentation of perspectives in this National Seminar. Your views and suggestions would be a valuable contribution in charting the path for the seminar on "Democracy: An Educational Urgency in Multicultural and Multi-religious Contexts".

We will be glad if you could accept this invitation and confirm your participation along with others from your institution in this National Seminar. Your early confirmation is highly appreciated.

Objectives

- To explore and study the perception of democracy by faculty in Higher Education.
- To promote an Equitable Economy based on Democratic principles, Ethics in democratic Practices and Media based on Democratic Values.
- To create Pedagogy and Didactics to promote Democratic Values.
- To develop and train faculty in curriculum development and pedagogic approach to democracy.
- To introduce credit courses in institutions participating in the seminar.

Themes

Economy based on democratic principles, Ethics in Democratic Practices and Media based on Democratic values.



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Registration Form

Name (in capital letters): -----

----- Gender: -----

University /College/School/Institution with address:

Official E-mail ID: -----

Phone: -----

Designation /Dept: -----

Experience (Yrs): -----

Residential Address: -----

Personal E-mail ID: -----

Phone: -----

Date: ----- Signature: -----

Signature of Vice Chancellor/Registrar/Principal:

Date: ----- Place: -----

University/Institution Seal

Payment Details

DD No: -----

Amount: ----- Date: -----

Drawn on: -----

I will / will not present a paper

Food preference: Vegetarian Non-Vegetarian

Accommodation: Yes No