

RESEARCH STUDENTS' Workshop Gender and History

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AT M. G. UNIVERSITY, KOTTAYAM

KCHR invites applications from M.Phil/Ph. D. level researchers for a Research Students' Workshop on 'Gender and History' to be held in association with IUCSSRE, M. G. University, Kottayam from 19-22 March 2020 at Kottayam.

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History writing has acquired a textured, interdisciplinary, quality, where newer studies bring together a variety of thematic and theoretical issues that open up ways of rethinking the past, while revaluating its relationship to the present. The Research Students' Workshop is designed to provide a forum for student researchers investigating various areas related to gender and history, to present their work and receive feedback from both experienced researchers in the field, and their own peer group. The aim of the workshop is to think of new ways of investigating the past, with special attention given to engaging history intersectionally in other words, opening up ways of bringing within the same frame questions of gender, caste, religious community, class, sexuality, amongst others - and thinking about how this may, in turn, help re-conceptualise their theme, or period. The workshop is open to students working on any aspect or period of history, with a focus on gender. The workshop aims to aid students at different stages of their research life - so those entering a PhD after completion of an MPhil, currently enrolled in a PhD programme, and a few fresh post doc students are encouraged to apply for this workshop. All sessions will be structured as ways to engage different themes intellectually, through discussion and debate, and critical feedback on research papers will aim to help the researchers sharpen their questions while rethinking modes of enquiry.

Application process: Each student should submit a detailed a proposal indicating their area of research, research question, stage of research, and why this workshop would benefit them, along with University ID cards or any other proof of registration. This should be done by 7th February 2020. Shortlisted candidates will be informed by 15th February 2020. Applications may be sent to kchractvm@gmail.com Selected applicants will be reimbursed third AC rail or bus fare from the nearest station to their University/Residence, to the nearest station of the workshop venue. Food and accommodation will be provided.

Structure: The workshop will be divided into two parts. Each day, the morning session will be devoted to a critical reading of precirculated texts, which will be organized thematically. Experts in the field, focusing especially on questions of research method and writing, will open up this discussion. Student researchers will present their work in the afternoon session, and will receive detailed responses to their papers.

Workshop details: A packet of readings will be sent electronically (as zipped file or via a dropbox folder) to all shortlisted candidates. Every student researcher is expected to read all the texts in the folder. These will be divided thematically across the four main days of the workshop. The final programme will be sent to the shortlisted candidates close to workshop. KCHR staff will coordinate the logistics of the workshop and will be in touch with participants, once shortlisted.

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