

Call for papers:

Papers are invited from participants on the above stated Sub-themes.

Paper contributors are requested to send the abstract not exceeding 250 words by e-mail or post so as to reach the SEMINAR CONVENORS. The full paper should be submitted on CD (suitable for windows) or in soft copy along with two hard copies in view of the following guidelines and details of submission:

1. Send your abstract/ paper by e-mail to fswwseminar2015@gmail.com
2. Last date for submission of abstract: **16th February 2015**
3. Intimation regarding acceptance of abstract: **20th February 2015**
4. Last date for submission of full-length paper: **03rd March 2015**
5. No. of pages: 15-20 (MS Word)
6. Manuscript of paper should have page providing the title of the paper, name(s), address (es), phone, fax and e-mail address of the author (s). Fonts should be Times New Roman size 12 for paragraphs, 14 for subtitles and 16 for main title with 1.5 line spacing.
7. The seminar will be held on **13-14th March 2015**.

The paper presenter and those interested in participating will have to register by February, 25th 2015. The details of which will be communicated by first week of February.

The out station participants, whose full-length papers are accepted, will be reimbursed one way IIAC Rail fare /Bus fare on original production of tickets.

The accommodation will be provided, from the evening of March 12, 2015 to the morning of March 15, 2015, in the University Guest House.

Registration

Category	Registration Fees
Delegates from The M S University of Baroda	Rs. 500
Delegates outside The M S University of Baroda	Rs. 750
On the Spot Registration	Rs. 1000

Registration fees must be paid through a Demand Draft drawn in favor of The Director, Area Studies Program, Centre for Canadian Studies, Faculty of Arts, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara.

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ON SOCIAL WORK

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Concept Note :

In the global world, Canada and India are the two countries which have many areas of common characteristics and concerns. Both the countries have presence of many religions, many languages and cultures. Both are significant because of the diversity in their population, yet are welcoming, all encompassing. People across the world find Canada and India as their favorite destination not only for tourism but also for residency.

Professional Social Work, originated from Western World, has roots in Canada as well. The first school of Social Work in Canada started many decades ago whereas the first school of Social Work in India, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), was started in 1936 followed by the Baroda School of Social Work in 1949. India and Canada have seen common concerns since decades. Social Work Profession and Education have been humanitarian, egalitarian, liberal and democratic in its approach since its inception and have become more so in the Liberalized, Privatized and Globalised world. So far, Social Work Education and Profession have primarily been influenced by State initiatives but now in the changing times, which is market driven, Social Work Education and Profession too have been influenced by market centric trends.

The methods, interventions, tools, techniques, skills, values and fields of social work have undergone remarkable transformation since inception. Social Work for individuals, groups and community through Public and Private Intervention have also undergone change in their perspectives along with dynamic changes in Social Policy, Social Programs and Government Intervention.

In view of these realities, it is our exploratory endeavor to hold a two day seminar on the theme of social work practices in India and Canada on 13th and 14th March 2015. The seminar is jointly organized under UGC Area Studies Programme in India-Canada studies by Centre for Canadian Studies and Faculty of Social Work and invites papers on the following indicative sub-themes in Comparative Perspectives of both the countries.

Sub Themes for the Session

- 1. Social Justice and Empowerment:**
Rights of Women, Children, Youth, Elderly, Homeless, Crime and response
- 2. Human Rights for Empowerment:**
Rights of Aboriginal, Tribal, Disabled, People living with HIV/ AIDS, LGBT Community, Disaster affected community, Climate change, and justice
- 3. Economic and Social Context:**
Concept of Poverty, Welfare, Inclusive development and imperatives for social policy, Foreign Direct Investments, Participation of Stakeholders, Human Development, Housing Rights, Rights of Immigrants, Urbanization, Rural Economy, Micro-finance institution,

Workforce in Organized and Unorganized Sectors.

4. Community – Corporate Interface

Citizenship behavior, Influencing and changing policies, Advocacy and Networking, Role of Government and Public Private Partnership, Civil Society, Administration, Linking with Social Networking Sites.

5. Methods of Social Work Education and Teaching Practices:

Methods of teaching, Models of Practice, Linking research and practice, Social work Response to emerging realities, Concept of License and Accreditation, Capacity Enhancement and Pedagogies, Global standard for Education, Distance Education in Social Work, Ethics in Social Work Teaching and Practice, Emerging Areas of Social Work Practice.

6. Practice of Methods of Social Work:

Use of various Social Work Methods, Casework, Group work, Community Organization, Social Research and its Practice, Social Work Administration.

About The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, commonly referred as M. S. University (MSU), is a university in the city of Vadodara, (Baroda) in Gujarat state, India. Originally known as the Baroda College of Science (established 1881), it became a university in 1949 after the independence of the country and later renamed after its benefactor Maharaja Sayajirao Gaekwad III. It is a residential university having unitary character. It is the only university in Gujarat whose medium of instruction is English for all courses with 13 faculties, 3 constituent colleges, two institutions and 8 centers of specialized studies. India Today has ranked the university at tenth place and Hindustan Times has ranked it at the Sixth Place.

About Centre for Canadian Studies

The Centre for Canadian Studies is one of the first centres in Canadian Studies established by the UGC in 1991. It is a premier center for multidisciplinary research and teaching in India-Canadian Studies. It was elevated as Area Studies Centre by the U.G.C in 2002. It regularly carries out various academic activities such as research projects, facilitates teaching and organizes national/international seminars/ conferences/ workshops with Indian and Canadian perspectives. The library of the Centre is extensively used by academics from different parts of the country. The M.S.University of Baroda is a member of Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (SICI). The Centre is closely associated with the various programmes of SICI and Canadian High Commission and functions as a nodal agency for disseminating information of their programmes and activities. In keeping with the thrust

areas of the Area Studies Programme, the present seminar addresses an important area of 'Social Work' in the comparative context of multicultural multi ethnic societies of India and Canada.

About the Faculty of Social Work

The foundation stone of the Faculty of Social Work, one of the pioneering social work institutes in India was laid as early as in 1950, by the First Vice Chancellor of Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Dr. (Smt.) Hansa Mehta. It is the third institution in chronological order in the country which offers social work education for a professional career. The Institution has retained the philosophy and approach of generic social work. From early seventies, a Ph.D. program was instituted and in mid-seventies postgraduate Diploma Course in Industrial Relations and Personnel Management- (I.R.P.M.) came in to existence.

In the Golden Jubilee year 2000 of the Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, a full-fledged two years Masters of Human Resource Management program to respond to the growing needs of the Business and Social Sector in managing its Human Resources was introduced. It was a major landmark in history of the faculty and an important milestone for growth in professional management education. The Faculty has also started Bachelor in Social Work (BSW) from the year 2013. The faculty was ranked 3rd Best School of Social Work in the Nation by the prestigious Outlook magazine survey of 2013.

About Vadodara

Located on the banks of the Vishwamitri River, Vadodara is the third largest city in the Indian State of Gujarat, after Ahmedabad and Surat. It is the cultural capital of Gujarat, also known as Sanskari Nagari, i.e. Cultured City. With a population of almost 2 million people (as of 2011), Vadodara is in the list of the top ten fastest developing cities of India. It is one of India's most cosmopolitan cities. Thanks to the vision and broadmindedness of the Gaekwads, the subsequent industrialization, the proliferation of academic activities and a strategically important geographical location, Baroda has welcomed a wide variety of people from all over India and also from all over the world. It is also the home of the Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, which is the largest university in Gujarat. It is an important industrial, cultural and educational hub of western India. It houses several institutions of national and regional importance.