



Department of English organizes

National Conference

on

# EMPIRES WRITING BACK: ABORIGINAL AND REGIONAL LITERATURES ACROSS CONTINENTS AND CULTURES

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#### ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Kristu Jayanti College, founded in 1999, is run by "BODHI NIKETAN TRUST", formed by the members of St. Joseph Province of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI). The college is affiliated to Bangalore University and is reaccredited with highest grade 'A' by NAAC in Second Cycle of Accreditation in March 2015. The college is recognized by UGC under the category 2(f) & 12(B). The college was accorded autonomous status from 2013 by the University Grants Commission, Government of Karnataka & the Bangalore University. In India Today - Nielsen survey 2017 the college is ranked 2nd Best BCA College, 9th Best Commerce College, 17th Best Science College & 14th Best Arts College in India and 2nd,3rd,4th positions in Arts, Commerce & Science among Top 10 Colleges in Bangalore respectively. The institution strives to fulfill its mission to provide educational opportunities to all aspiring youth to excel in life by developing academic excellence, fostering values, creating civic responsibility and building global competencies in a dynamic environment.

# **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

The Department of English offers students an opportunity to understand the literary, cultural and social dynamism of England's varied past, European and Non-European writing and integrates Indian writing in English facilitating a transcendence of linguistic nativism. After completion of the programs (UG and PG) students have many career options in educational and other fields. The programs introduce students to advanced study and scholarly activity in order to provide an avenue to seek a career in university teaching and literary scholarship. They help develop strong analytical skills and grounding in diverse critical and theoretical approaches and introduces them to the socio-cultural milieu of different periods.

# CONFERENCE CONCEPT

CALIBAN: You taught me language, and my profit on 't Is, I know how to curse. The red plague rid you For learning me your language! (The Tempest Act I, Sc. 2.)

The response of Caliban to Prospero in Shakespeare's *The Tempest* is an epitome of the colonised lashing back at their colonisers. This wave of writing back resulted from the questioning of the indigenous people regarding their (mis)-representations or exclusions from all sorts of narratives written by the colonisers and also for being rendered as the "Other" in one's homeland. Writing has inevitably been regarded as a mark of superiority and to re-view and re-write one's position in history, indigenous/ aboriginal people want to tell their version of the stories, in their own way with a purpose of their own. In the light of colonization the spotlight would also fall on the colonization that can arise between human relationships and the hegemonic repercussions it can have on individuals and their concept of self, paving the way for a particular niche in subaltern literature. This conference seeks to look into those native writings across continents and cultures full of richness and diversity. We welcome original, unpublished research papers related to aboriginal and regional literatures across continents and cultures. The conference directorate invites papers related to the broad theme "Empires Writing Back: Aboriginal and Regional Literatures across Continents and Cultures" and the following sub-themes:

- Aboriginal autobiographies
- Literary landscapes as portrayed in aboriginal or regional literature

- Aboriginal and regional literatures in comparison
- Race, Gender, Ethnicity
- Languages and cultural heritage
- Folk literature / Tribal literature
- Cultural identity
- Gothic tradition in aboriginal writings
- Diasporic Literature
- Multiculturalism
- Regional writing in India / Aboriginal writing in Africa, Australia, Canada

# **GUIDELINES FOR PAPER SUBMISSIONS**

- Standard A4 size paper with 1.5 margins on all sides
- Double spacing throughout
- Scripts should be in MS Word (2003-2007) Times New Roman, Font size 12
- Title page: full name of the author(s), designation, affiliation and title of the paper, e-mail id
- All full submissions should follow the MLA Handbook (7th/8th Edition) for citations
- Abstracts must not exceed 300 words
- Full papers must be a minimum word limit of 2,500 and a maximum word limit of 4,000 words
- Full papers must not exceed 20 minutes in delivery
- Soft copy of the abstract and full paper may be sent as an e-mail attachment to: <a href="mailto:englishpg@kristujayanti.com">englishpg@kristujayanti.com</a>

# REGISTRATION DETAILS

The Registration fee is payable by each author and co-authors of the paper individually and separately as detailed below:

# Participation only:

Faculty Members/Independent Scholars: INR 500/-Research Scholars and PG Students (Full Time): INR 300/-

#### Presentation:

Faculty Members/Independent Scholars: INR 750/-Research Scholars and PG Students (Full Time): INR 400/-

**Mode of Payment:** Demand Draft in favour of The Principal Kristu Jayanti College payable at Bengaluru.

The registration fee includes Lunch, Conference Kit and Refreshments. No DA/TA shall be provided to the participants.

Participation/Presentation of paper should be confirmed on or before December 20, 2017 via e-mail. All joint participants must register and be present in person for the paper to be considered as a part of the Conference. Certificates will be issued only after the Valedictory Ceremony.

<sup>\*</sup>Selected papers will be published with ISBN number (with additional charges) and authors will be intimated of the same.

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# **ACCOMMODATION**

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#### IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstracts November 30, 2017

Notification of Acceptance December 15, 2017

Submission of full papers December 26, 2017

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