



12th Edition

Graduate Research Meet

People, Voices, and Possibilities

Reimagining Knowledge and Inquiry

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

About the Conference

The Graduate Research Meet (GRM) is an annual research conference organized by the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati. Started in 2014, it has been at the forefront of showcasing multidisciplinary graduate research. Since its inception, GRM has provided a platform for over 1,000 scholars carrying out pioneering research in the field of Humanities and Social Sciences. The conference provides an opportunity for the participants to receive extensive feedback from renowned academics, engage in meaningful dialogues and discussions over contemporary issues, and provides a stage for deliberation on possible solutions.

DATE OF THE
CONFERENCE

19-20

JANUARY 2027

REGISTRATION FEE

₹ 2500/- (to be paid on selection)

VENUE

CONFERENCE CENTRE
IIT, GUWAHATI

People, Voices, and Possibilities: Reimagining Knowledge and Inquiry

The disciplines of Humanities and Social Sciences are constantly engaged in exploring how human life and social worlds are shaped, reshaped, and transformed within their specific historical, social, cultural, and material contexts. They offer numerous ways to ask questions, produce knowledge, and make sense of the world we live in by examining the conditions that influence what people can think, say, and do. These conditions open possibilities to reinterpret varied experiences and negotiate change in order to inquire into the circumstances in which knowledge is reimagined to harness the inclusive, equitable and productive voices of all.

Within these shifting contexts, new perspectives can emerge, established assumptions can be reconsidered, and intellectual breakthroughs can occur. While conventional frameworks of knowledge production and modes of inquiry continue to offer important conceptual and methodological foundations for research, they are also being challenged by new perspectives, voices, and practices, through and beyond familiar frameworks. Heterodox methods of doing research—acts of thinking, speaking, theorising, and being—are gaining popularity while remaining committed to objectivity and truth.

The 12th Edition of the Graduate Research Meet aims to examine these critical junctures, consider alternatives, and explore possibilities within and beyond paradigms. By foregrounding diverse perspectives and voices from the margins, this conference seeks to contribute to the urgent work of imagining and enacting more just and liveable futures. We invite scholars to join this conversation, engage in discussions and deliberations, and take part in an extensive dialogue across the disciplines of Archaeology, Development Studies, Economics, English, History, Linguistics, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology.

We invite papers related to, but not limited to, the following sub-topics:

- Agriculture, Industry, and Banking
- Archaeological Sciences and Heritage Studies
- Choice, Incentives and Market
- Coping, Resilience, and Wellbeing
- Decoloniality
- Digital Culture, Identity, and Social Transformation
- Disagreement and Consensus
- Environment, Resources, Displacement and Indigenous Rights
- Ethnicity and Communities in North-East India
- Gender, Health, and Education
- Governance and Institutions
- Growth, Trade and Inequality
- Historical transitions: Social Formations, Environment, and Technology
- Indian Economy and Labour
- International Relations, Diplomacy, Multilateralism
- Language and Structures: Sounds, Words, Sentences and Meanings
- Literary Institutions: Translation, Publishing, and Canon Formation
- Perspectives from Digital Humanities
- Philosophy and Aesthetics in Literature
- Religion, Caste and Power
- Social Movements in India
- Space, Place and Belonging
- Technology and Linguistic Diversity
- Values in Science
- Writing from the Margins

Who can apply: Currently enrolled PhD scholars
Abstracts word limit: 500-800 words
Note: An award will be given to the best paper(s).
Submission of full paper is mandatory to be considered for the prize.

IMPORTANT DATES

OCT 27 TUE	Abstract Submission Deadline
NOV 25 WED	Intimation of Acceptance
DEC 10 THU	Last Date of Registration (₹2500/-)
JAN 05 TUE	Full Paper Submission

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