

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY



Year: 2018-2024

INTRODUCTION

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The Department of Sociology, Women's Christian College is one of the youngest departments which has been able to carve a niche for itself in a short span of time since its inception as a General Subject in the year 2005. The Department aims to foster analytical and critical thinking among its students and has continuously endeavored to incorporate the most contemporary debates, discussions, pedagogy in Sociology in its academic curriculum. Honours course in Sociology was introduced for the academic session 2012-2013.

Ms. Aditi Basu joined the Department of Sociology on 26th September 2005. She taught for nine months and resigned on 10th May 2006. On 1st July 2006 Mrs. Anwasha Pathak Chatterjee joined the Department of Sociology on 1st July 2006. At present the Department of Sociology has 3 teachers. Dr. Tumpa Mukherjee has joined in the UGC substantive post as Assistant Professor on 3rd July 2013. Smt. Sathi Naik joined as Contractual Lecturer in 2012. She is a State Aided College Teacher from 2020. Ms. Pretasha Banerjee resigned as State Aided College Teacher in June 2024. Ms. Amrin Sarfaraz is serving as Whole Time Contractual Lecturer in the department from 2019.

The Department of Sociology, Women's Christian College is under the University of Calcutta, hence has to follow the syllabus as framed and followed by the University of Calcutta. From the academic session 2018-19, the new Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) syllabus has been introduced for the first year students. From the academic session 2023-2024 the National Educational Policy 2020 has been

implemented where 4 years Curriculum and Credit Framework (CCF) for undergraduate programs have been introduced.

Mission and Vision of the Department of Sociology

Mission:

Fostering a scientific, in-depth understanding of society, societal structures, promoting critical thinking and inspiring positive societal change through teaching, scholarships and service.

Vision:

- To engage in teaching about relevant social issues.
- To prepare students for their future careers & lives as responsible citizens.
- Faculty & students to engage in pursuits of scholarship, service activities in local and global context.
- To promote empowerment of women.
- To promote inclusive environment where faculty and students contribute positively for the development of sustainable society.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY – A TEAM



**RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY
THE FACULTY MEMBERS
OF
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**

Research Conducted by the Faculty Members of the Department of Sociology

Name of the Topic	Faculty Members	Year	Type
Socio-demographic Profile of Students of Women's Christian College	Dr. Tumpa Mukherjee & Smt. Sathi Naik	2023	College Sponsored
Bengali Christian (Protestant) Women -A Study	Dr. Tumpa Mukherjee	2024	College Sponsored Under the Guidance & Supervision of Dr. Ajanta Paul, Principal & Secretary, Women's Christian College
Identity and Livelihood Problems of Transgender in Kolkata: A Sociological Study	Smt. Sathi Naik	2019 (Year of Enrollment) 2021 (Year of Registration) Ph.D (Submitted in 2024. (Viva-Voce in January, 2025)	Ph.D Supervisor: Dr. Ananta Kumar Biswas, University of Burdwan

STUDENTS PROFILE
OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Students of the Department of Sociology with the Teachers



Students Profile:

The students are the lifeline of the department. The Department of Sociology share a very healthy, as well as friendly relationship with the students, The Students mostly come from the middle-class families. We, the Department of Sociology, hope that the three years students spend with us would be an enriching intellectual experience for all of us. The faculty members expect students to make the most of what they offer to the students.

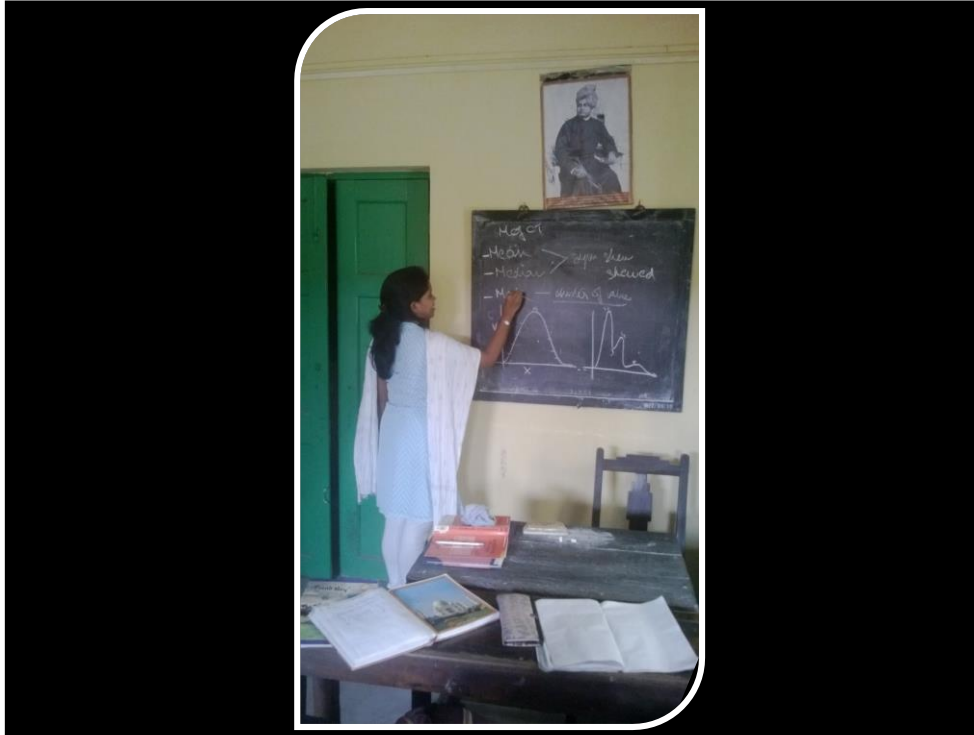
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Semester V			28	23	17	12	14
Semester VI			28	23	17	12	14
Part II	9						
Part III							

**FEATURES OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**

Features of the Department of Sociology:

- a. Teaching Plan prepared before every academic session**
- b. Classroom teaching**
- c. Use of ICT in classroom**
- d. Seminars/ Lectures/ Webinars of the Department of Sociology (2019-24)**
- e. Peer Group Teaching of the Department of Sociology**
- f. Field trips organized by the Department of Sociology**
- g. Year-wise dissertation of students of the Department of Sociology**
- h. Semester 6 dissertation viva-voce**
- i. Organising VAC in Criminology and Social Work**
- j. Parent Teacher Meeting of the Department of Sociology**
- Feedback forms received from parents**
- k. Departmental Meeting of Faculty Members**
- l. Departmental Meeting with Students**
- m. Paper presentation by the students of the Department of Sociology**
- n. Use of Central Library by the Students of the Department of Sociology**
- o. A small departmental seminar library**

Classroom Teaching

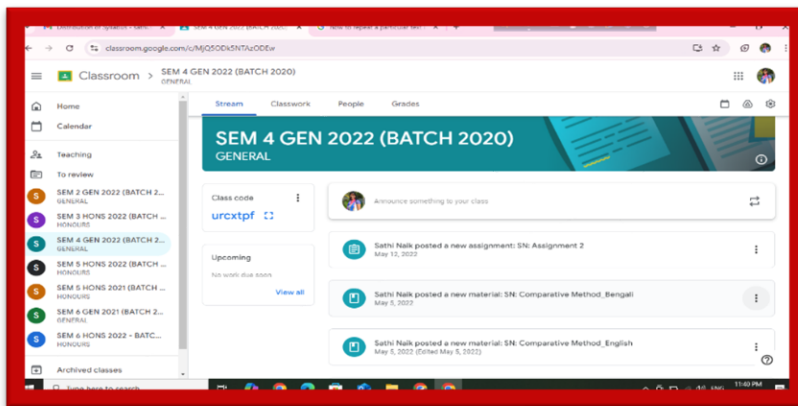
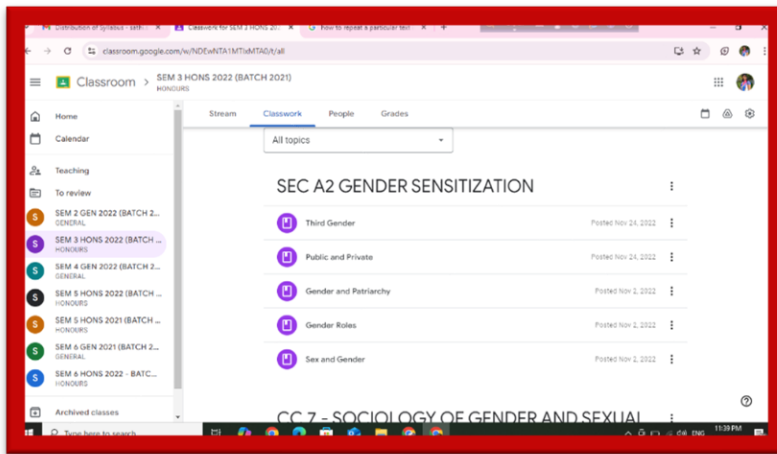
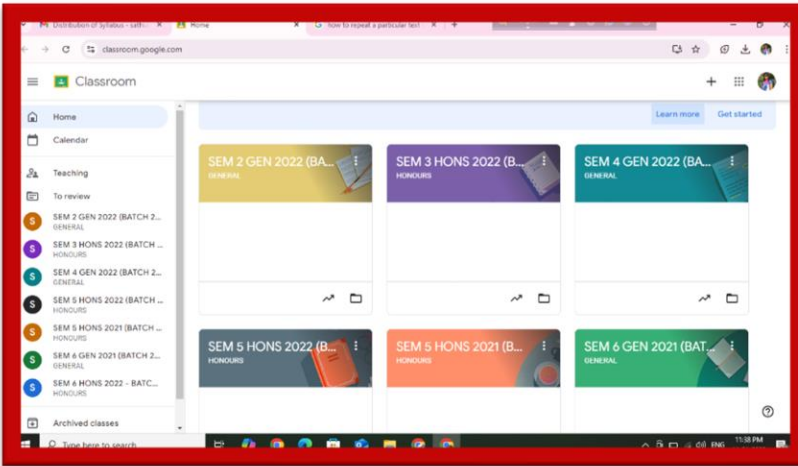


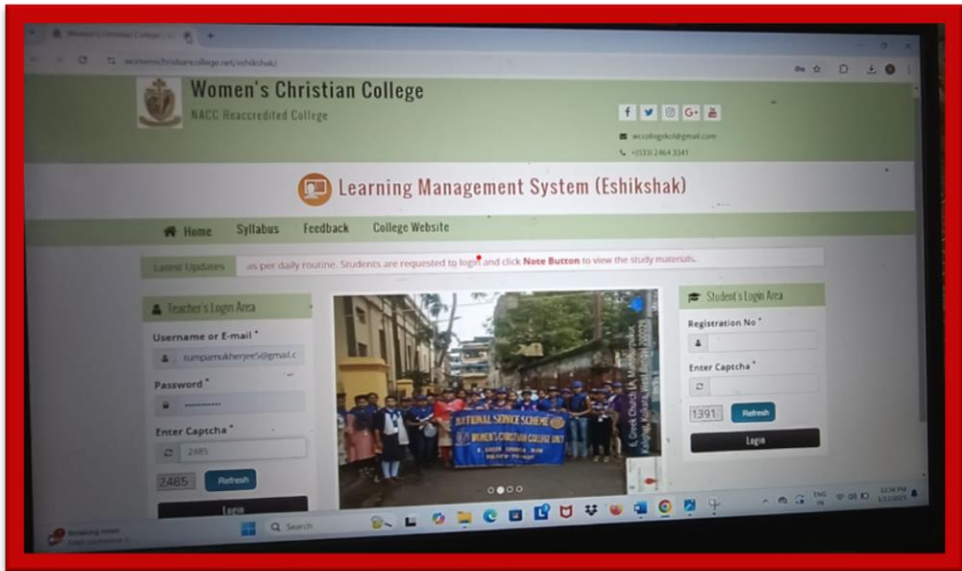
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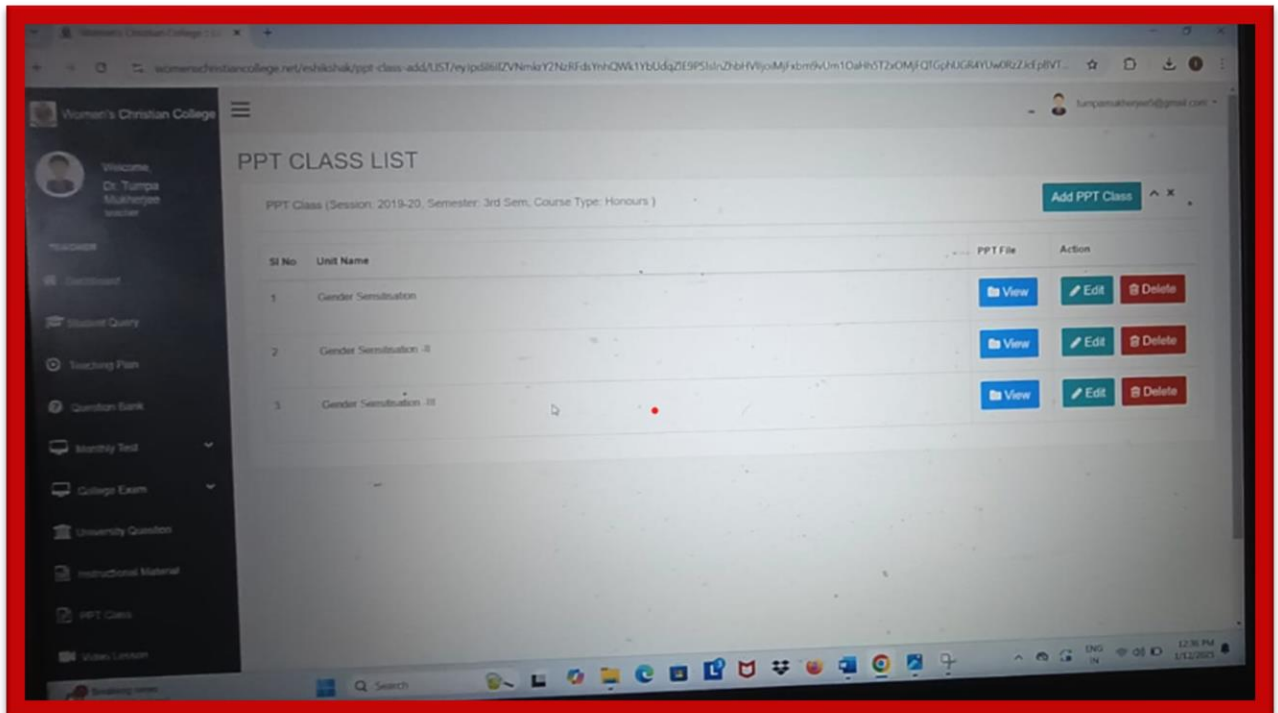
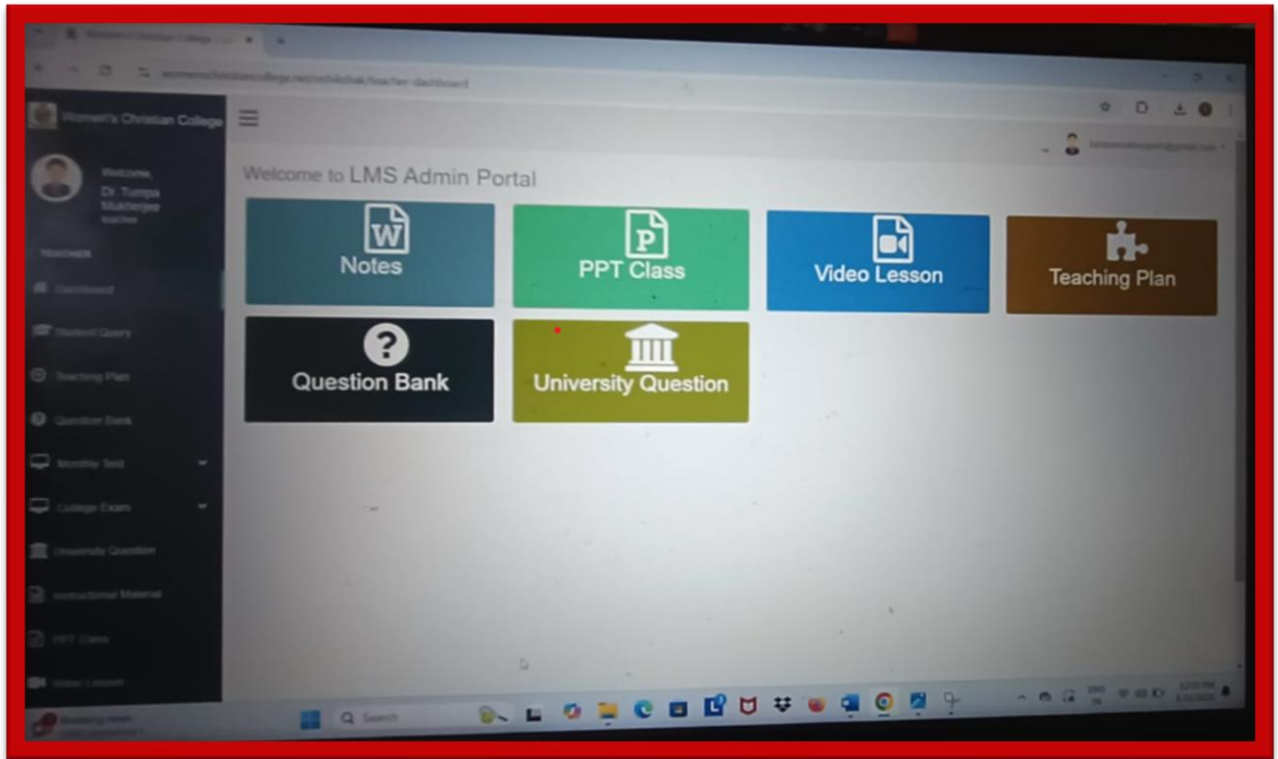


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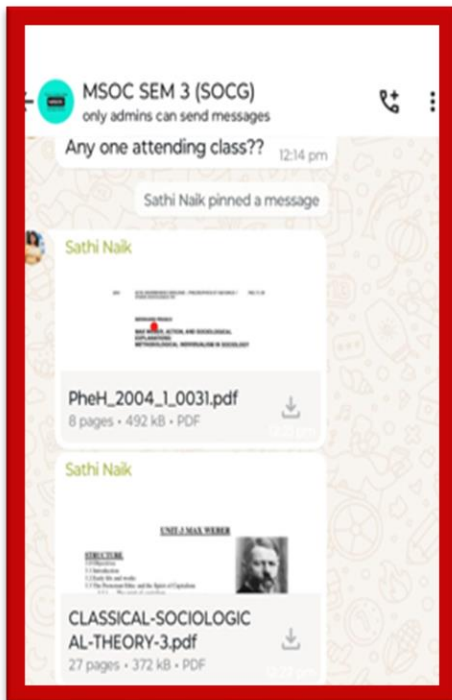
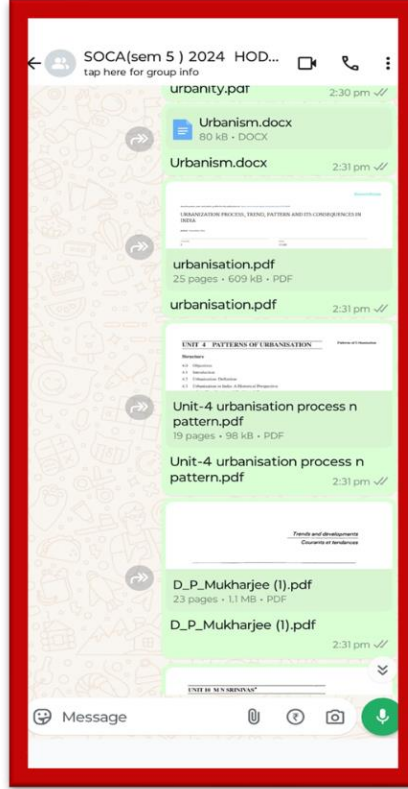
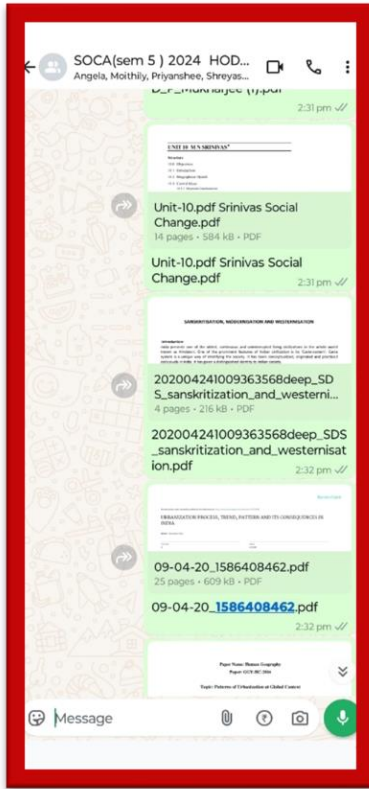
Classroom Teaching using ICT-Google Classroom







Study Materials Distributed



Departmental Meetings with Students



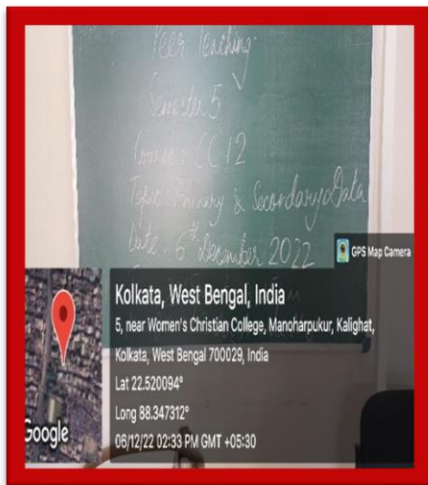
Parent Teacher Meeting of the Department of Sociology

Parent -Teacher Meeting are held where teachers interact with parents of students and discuss their academic progress.



Peer Group Teaching of the Department of Sociology

- Peer teaching has long been used in academia as a method to improve learning outcomes. Peer teaching shifts the focus from the teacher to the student. Traditionally, teachers were the primary source of knowledge and instruction. However, peer teaching is a student-centered approach that emphasizes student involvement and active participation in the learning process. Peer teaching empowers students to take ownership of their learning by actively engaging with course material and teaching concepts to their peers. Rather than passively receiving information from the teacher, active learning strategies ensure students engage in interactive learning experiences, which promotes critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration skills. By actively participating in the teaching and learning process, students develop autonomy and take responsibility for their own learning outcomes. Encouraging lifelong learning habits: Peer teaching cultivates a culture of lifelong learning by promoting curiosity, inquiry, and continuous self-improvement among students. Peer Teaching is organised by the Department of Sociology. A topic is assigned to the student, they teach orally or through PPT to their fellow class mates. This helps the student to prepare their lessons. It helps to increase their oratory skills.





Paper Presentation by the Students of the Department of Sociology



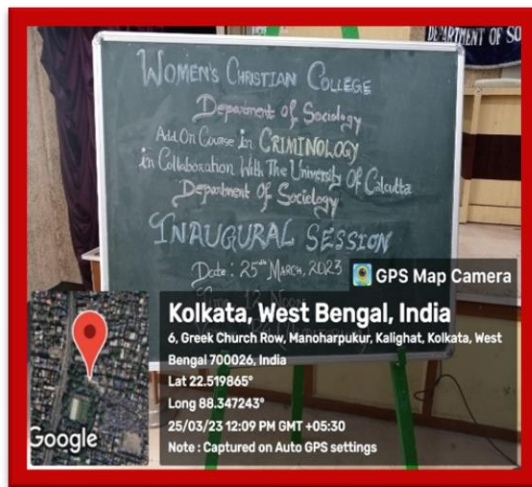
Field Trips Organized by the Department of Sociology



Report

The Department of Sociology had organized a Field Trip with students of Semester 2, 4 and 6 Sociology Honours students at Shantineketan from 15th March 2023 to 17th March 2023. Students surveyed few villages in rural Shantineketan dominated by the Santhal tribes and got an insight of the socio-economic, cultural and occupational life of Santhals.

Organizing VAC in Criminology- Inaugural Session

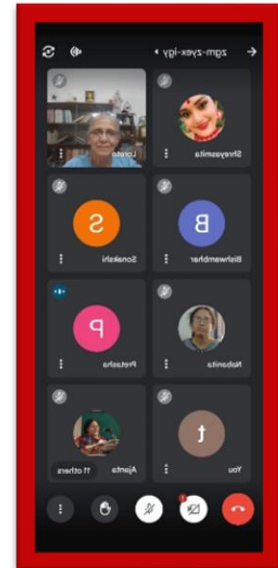
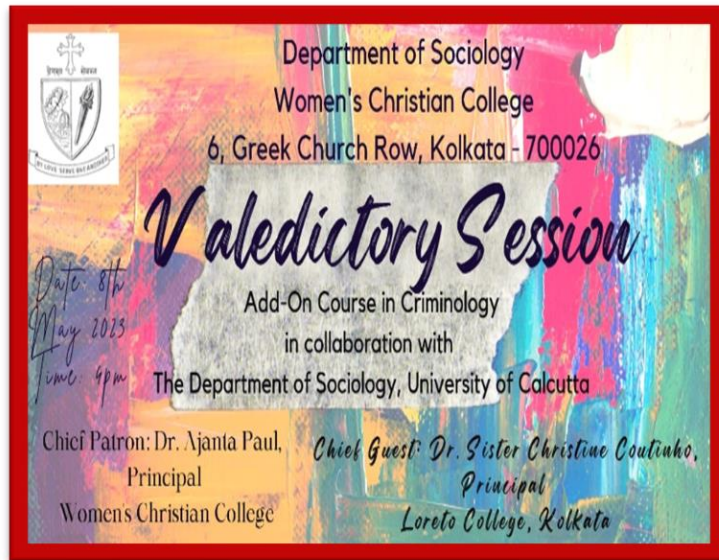


Report of the Add on Course in Criminology

A 30 hour online Add on Course in Criminology was organized by the Department of Sociology, Women's Christian College in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, Rabindrabharati University from 25 th March 2023 to 8 th May 2023. The course was inaugurated by our Hon'ble Principal Madam. In her welcome address to the students she spoke of the relevance of studying crime in 21st century. Dr. Sushmita Bhattacharya, Head of the Department of Sociology, University of Calcutta congratulated the department for introducing such innovative course at undergraduate level. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Sathi Naik, SACT of our college. In this course students received a basic knowledge of the nature and scope of Criminology, Victimology, Police and Prison studies. The resource persons were from different parts of India.

The online Valedictory Session was held on 8th May 2023. The Guest of Honour was Dr. Sister Christine Coutino, Principal, Loreto College. The Vote of thanks was given by Sathi Naik, SACT, of our college.

Photograph of the Valedictory Session

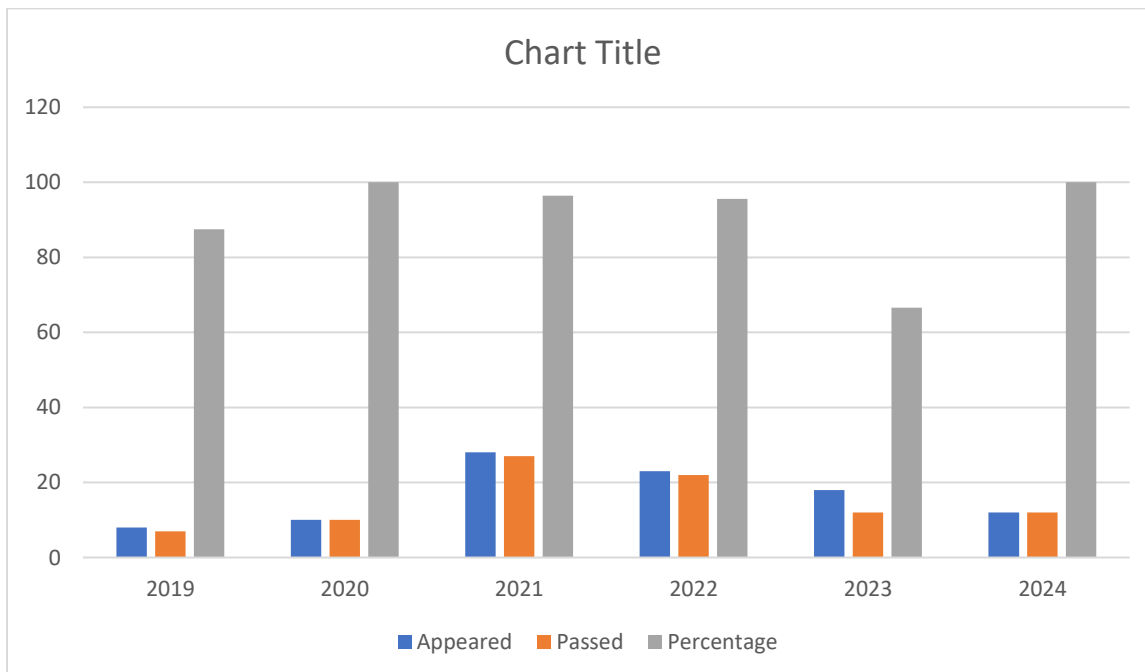


**VALUE ADDED COURSE
IN
SOCIAL WORK**

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY RESULT ANALYSIS OF UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

YEAR	APPEARED	PASSED	PERCENTAGE
2019	8	7	87.5
2020	10	10	100
2021	28	27	96.42
2022	23	22	95.6
2023	18	12	66.6
2024	12	12	100

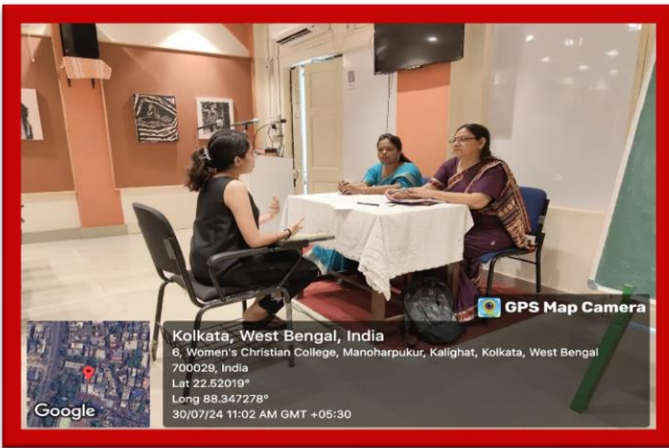
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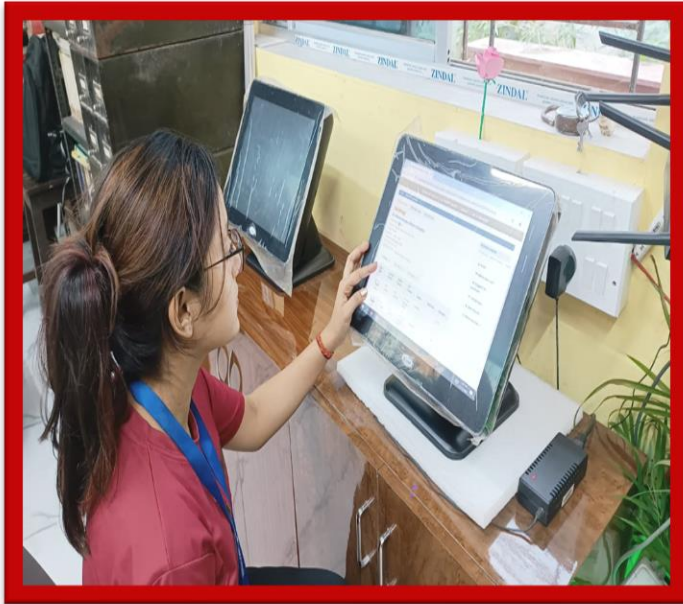
**Semester 6 Dissertation Viva Voce
2023**



Semester 6 Dissertation Viva
2024



USE OF LIBRARY BY THE STUDENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY



NOTABLE ALUMNAE

Notable Alumnae

Name	Year of Passing	Job
Nivritti Das	2016	Senior Learning Operations Specialist at Service Now
Jasmati Goswami	2016	Assistant Manager at PepsiCo
Madhurima Maitra	2016	Admin Office Executive Behala Balananda Brahmachari Hospital
Amrin Sarfaraz	2017	Faculty, Women's Christian College
Riyanka Dutta	2017	Teacher & Partner, Kangaroo Kids School
Poulami Mitra	2017	Acid Survivor & Women's Welfare Foundation
Disha Chatterjee	2020	Executive Panel Operations, Kanter
Maitrayee Adak	2021	Teacher, St. Thomas School
Banashree Mandal	2021	Program Coordinator Sabuj Sangha
Anushka Nag	2023	Recipient, TeachIndia Scholarship

Future Aim of the Department :

It has been more than a decade that the Department of Sociology began its journey. We nurture an aim to travel long in this journey and never to end our perennial thirst for true knowledge. We have an aim to fulfill in future. The future aim of the Department of Sociology includes:

- Use of new scientific technologies such as AI in the teaching -learning process.
- Promote Faculty Research project.
- The Department also wants to establish academic linkages with national and international social science institute.
- We would like our students to be part of academic exchange programs in reputed national and international institutes.
- We would like to organise Add-on-Course in Women's Studies in 2025.
- To upgrade Seminar Library.
- Formation of Women's Christian College Sociological Society to create space for debates, discussion on contemporary issues with an aim of bridging the gap between theory and practice in Sociology.
- We would like to offer more students seminar and workshops.
- Promote Student Research Project.
- The Department aims to form Women's Christian College Sociological Students Magazine.
- Increase outreach activities to connect with community.

CONCLUSION

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From the very beginning students are made to inculcate textual reading habits, so that students are able to imbibe the language of social science and start exploring new reading on their own . Such methods help in the development of critical ways of thinking. Tutorial classes are organized where discussion takes place and clarifications are made. Students are encouraged to make presentation on contemporary themes of their choice. In this context we invite our students to interact and share their views, opinion with our faculty members within and beyond the classroom. However the department is not just a forum for imparting formal academic knowledge in Sociology. The faculty members encourage students to also consider the department as an active forum where they can vent their creative energies, in the form of writing, drama, dance etc. On our part, influenced by the encouragement we receive from our Principal Dr. Ajanta Paul, the faculty members of the department continue to find avenues where students can express their talents and potentialities both within and beyond the department.

We are confident that the training as well as the cultural and social experience we offer will open avenues for our students, for further advanced training in this field, in the region, or beyond as well as employment opportunities in the public, private and civil society sectors in every part of the globe. The Department of Sociology is striving to establish itself in a way where students not only enrich themselves but also stand out and make a mark in whichever field they wish to pursue.