

**Central University of Rajasthan**  
**Department of English**  
**(July 2018 – June 2019)**

**Faculty:**

1. Prof. Supriya Agarwal (Head, School of Humanities & Languages)
2. Dr. Sanjay Arora (Associate Professor)
3. Dr. Bhumika Sharma (Assistant Professor)
4. Dr. Neha Arora (Assistant Professor)
5. Dr. Devendra Rankawat (Assistant Professor)
6. Dr. Ved Prakash (Assistant Professor)

**Students' Achievements:**

1. Niharika Sharma (2014-16) and Rince Raju (2015-17) qualified **CBSE-NET JRF (July 2018)**

**Qualified CBSE-NET (July 2018)**

Suman Rathore (PhD 2014-15) and Shankar Lal Chowdhury (PhD 2015-16),  
Pummy Sharma (2014-16),  
Neeraj Gothwal (2016-18),  
Garima Bhaskar (2016-18),  
Merin (2017-19)

2. Nirmal Joseph qualified CBSE-NET (December 2018) and Ankit Sharma cleared CBSE-NET JRF (December 2018).
3. Rahul presented a paper "Bards of the Desert: The Harmonious Notes of Manganiyars and Langas" at an International Conference on 'Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation', organized by Central University of Rajasthan, 15-16 November, 2018.
4. Irona Bhaduri presented a paper "De-establishing Stereotypes, Establishing Gender Sensitisation: A Study of Select Indian Advertisements" at 'Rajasthan Science Congress-Humanities & Social Science Session' organized by Central University of Rajasthan, 13-15 October, 2018
5. Irona Bhaduri presented a paper "Locating Trauma in Visual Narratives of Erika Berg's *Forced to Flee: Visual Stories by Refugee Youth from Burma.*" at an International Conference on 'Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation', organized by Central University of Rajasthan, 15-16 November, 2018.
6. Suman Rathore presented a paper "Mapping the Challenges of the /mothers of Children with Disabilities in Select Indian Fiction" in the National Conference on 'Disability, /gender and Violence: Issues and Challenges' organized by Centre for Women's Development Studies and supported by Women's Fund Asia on 25-26 February, 2019 at India Islamic Cultural Center, New Delhi.
7. Suman Rathore presented a paper "Narratives of Exclusion of Children with Disabilities in Indian Cultural Spaces: Study of Select Contemporary Indian Fiction" in the Sixth Northern Regional Social Science Congress on 'Intellectual History and /changing

Realities:India in 21<sup>st</sup> Century, organized by Northern Regional Centre, Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi and Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur-18-20 January, 2019

8. Suman Rathore presented a paper “Locating Children with Disabilities in the Cultural Spaces Select Contemporary Indian Fiction.” at an International Conference on ‘Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation’, organized by Central University of Rajasthan, 15-16 November, 2018.
9. Suman Rathore volunteered in the International Conference on ‘Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation’, organized by Central University of Rajasthan, 15-16 November, 2018.
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12. Sucheta
13. Shankar lal Chowdhury
14. Padma Thinless
15. Sheikh Suheel Meraj
16. Amandeep Singh
17. Irona, Andhra University
18. Sucheta, Andhra University

#### Students’ Publications:

1. Bhaduri, Irona. “The New Women of The Tagore Ménage- Breaking Stereotypes and a Prolegomena to His Literature on Women” *New Academia*, vol. 8, issue 1, 2019, pp. 214-225.

#### Faculty Achievements:

##### Conferences/ Seminars/ Workshops attended:

S.No	Name of the Faculty	Paper Title	Organized by	Name of the seminar/ conference/ workshop	Date
1	Dr. Ved Prakash	Delivered a talk on “Unraveling the Art of Communication”	Zakir Husain Delhi College, University of Delhi	Art of Scientific Writing and Communication Skills	20 July, 2018
2	Dr. Ved Prakash	“Making Films, Breaking Stereotypes: Representing the Voices of Women through Village Rockstars”	Union Christian College, in collaboration with P.A. Sangma Foundation, Meghalaya	Women and Development (International)	26-28 July, 2018
3	Dr. Bhumika	Bards of the Desert:	Central	Moving	15-16

	Sharma	The Harmonious Notes of Manganiyars and Langas	University of Rajasthan	Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation (International)	November , 2018
4	Dr. Ved Prakash	Locating Present through Past: Examining the Domain of 'Life' through Select Life-Writing	St. Xavier's College, Jaipur	Contemplating the Past, Capturing the Present, Creating the Future (International)	18-19 December , 2018
5	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	Past Philosophies and Future Works: Lessing's The Marriages between Zone's Three, four and Five	St. Xavier's College, Jaipur	Contemplating the Past, Capturing the Present, Creating the Future (International)	18-19 December , 2018
6	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	Veneration, Validation, Vacillation: Tracing Colonial Presume in Select Indian English Novels	Smt Kesari Devi Lohia Government Girls College, Ratangarh	Embracing the Other: Exploring New Literatures (National)	22-23 December , 2018
7	Dr. Devendra Rankawat	Ideological Watermark of Gandhi in Anti-colonial Writings	M V Shramjeevi College, Udaipur	Gandhi in Indian English Literature (National)	22-23 January, 2019
8	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	Gender Mainstreaming in Urban Planning: An Exploratory Study of Women's Perception on Liveability in Keonjhar City, Odisha	University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka	FARU 2018, 11 <sup>th</sup> International Research Conference, 'Sustainability for People: Envisaging Multi Disciplinary Solutions'	7 December , 2018
9	Dr. Neha Arora	Reading Dalit Culture of Punjab in Madhopuri's <i>Changiya Rukh</i>	Andhra University	Interdisciplinary Studies of Literature and Culture (International)	14-16 March, 2019

10	Dr. Ved Prakash	Singing the Songs of Sorrow: Examining the Discourse of protest through Imphal Talkies	Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, Jamia Millia Islamia	Identity and Diversity within Boundaries and Margins: Exploring Literature & Culture from India's North East (National)	13-14 March, 2019
11	Dr. Ved Prakash	Performing Gender, Inviting Abhorrence: A Study of Suffering and Violence through Hijras of Kashmir	Ireland India Institute, Dublin City University	Third Ireland India Istitute Conference on South Asia (International)	24-26 April, 2019

#### **Orientation Programme/ Refresher Courses attended:**

1. Dr. Bhumika Sharma attended a Refresher Course in Gender Studies (Multi Disciplinary) from 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018 to 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2019, at HRDC-University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
2. Dr. Neha Arora attended a Refresher Course in Comparative Literature from 7 – 27 February, 2019, at HRDC-Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

#### **Papers/Books Published by Faculty:**

1. Agarwal, Supriya and Anita Goswami. "Ecological Threat and Identity Crisis: Mahasweta Devi in the Framework of Ecofeminist Discourse – A Study of "Pterodactyl, Puran Sahay and Pirtha"". *Literary Insight*, Vol. 9, Issue 2. July 2018, ISSN 0975-6248, pp 300-305.
2. Agarwal, Supriya and Suman Rathore. "Echoes of Silence in a Cultural Vacuum: Study of Child Abuse in Select Hindi Cinema". *Indian Journal of Sustainable Development*, 4(1) 2018, ISSN 2394-7675, pp 32-36.
3. Sharma, Bhumika and Bidisha Kantha. "Re-Casting the Gaze: Locating the Shattered Mirror in Plath's 'Lady Lazarus'". *New Academia*, Vol. VII, Issue IV. October 2018, ISSN 2347-2073, pp 54-60.
4. Arora, Neha. "Begum Jaan: A Walk through the by-lanes of Partition with the 'Dangerous Outcasts' of India" in *IJELLH*, Vol. 7, No. 1. January 2019, ISSN 2321 7065, pp 293-306.
5. Sharma, Bhumika. "Revisiting Literature through the 'Sustainable' Frame: A Study of Tolstoy's *Anna Karenina*" in *Journal of Literature & Aesthetics*, Vol. 18, No. 2. July-Dec. 2018, ISSN 2278-523X, pp 5-16.

6. Sharma, Bhumika. "Gender Mainstreaming in Urban Planning: An Exploratory Study of Women's Perception on Liveability in Keonjhar City, Odisha", in Conference Proceedings, FARU 2018, 11<sup>th</sup> International Research Conference, 'Sustainability for People: Envisaging Multi Disciplinary Solutions', ISBN 978-955-9027-74-4, pp 17-24.
7. Sharma, Bhumika. "Literary Texts, Visual Imagery and the Virtual World: A Pedagogical Experiment in Digital Humanities", in *Ravenshaw Journal of Literary and Cultural Studies*, Vol. IX, January 2019, ISSN 2231-2773, pp 110-128.
8. Agarwal, Supriya and Kaushik Nagadev Bhuyan. "The Subaltern through Power Equations in Indian English Fiction", in *Muse India*, Issue 83, February 2019, ISSN 0975-1815, pp 1-6.
9. Sharma, Bhumika. "From In/visibility to En/visioning: Postmodernist Play in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century African-American Fiction", in *Literary Voice*, Vol. 1, No. 10, March 2019, ISSN 2277-4521, pp 16-23.
10. Sharma, Bhumika & Aparna Ajith. "Indian Woman of Valour: Munshi Premchand's Dhanu and Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai's Chirutha", in *New Academia*, Vol. VIII, Issue II, April 2019, ISSN 2347-2073, pp 246-257.

#### Dissertation:

1. Diksha, "Seeking Freedom, Undoing 'Self': Discussing Bacha Posh in Afghanistan", under Dr. Ved Prakash.
2. Merin John, "Animal Symbolism in Caste Based Films", under Dr. Neha Arora.

#### Research Scholars:

RESEARCH SCHOLAR	BATCH	TOPIC	SUPERVISOR	
Balveer	2013-14	Re-contextualizing the Culture, History and Identity of Rajasthan: A Study of Select Works of Vijaydan Detha	Dr. Neha Arora	
Amandeep Singh	2014-15	Ontological and Epistemological Discourses in Select Works of Kurt Vonnegut and Thomas Pynchon	Dr. Sanjay Arora	Submitted
Aparna Ajith	„	Cultural Cartography in the Fiction of Munshi Premchand and Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	Submitted
Anita Goswami	„	Reconstructing Eco-Feminine Identity: A Comparative Study of Select Works of Mahasweta Devi and Indira Goswami	Prof. Supriya Agarwal	
Kaushik Bhuyan	„	The Politics of Ethnography and Travel Poetics in Select Travelogues of Vikram Seth and	Prof. Supriya Agarwal	

		Salman Rushdie		
Narendra Jangir	„	Dynamics of Small Screen Adaptation: A Study of <i>Malgudi Days</i>	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	
Sucheta	„	Transnational African Diaspora, hybridity and Identity Formation in Select Works of Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie and Sefi Atta	Dr. Neha Arora	
Suman Rathore	„	Socio-Cultural and Psychological Study of Women and Differently-abled Children Through Silence in Select Contemporary Bollywood Films	Prof. Supriya Agarwal	
Rajendra Prasad	„	Impact of social media on urbanities : A linguistic and socio-cultural study of ESL users in Ajmer district (Tentative)	Dr. Sanjay Arora	
Bidisha Kantha	2015-16	Virgins and Vamps: A Study of Feminine Gaze Through the Selected Works of Devdutt Pattanaik and Kavita Kane (Tentative)	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	Submitted
Irona Bhaduri	„	The Struggle Undaunted: Constructing a New Spectrum in the “Making of Modern Burma” (Tentative)	Dr. Neha Arora	
Garima Gianchandani	„	Syntactic Variations and their Impact on ESL Learners in Rajasthan (Tentative)	Dr. Sanjay Arora	
Shankar Lal Choudhary	„	Aesthetics of the Other: A Theoretical Postulation (Tentative)	Prof. Supriya Agarwal	
Swati Mazta	„	Effectiveness of nonverbal communication at tertiary level with special reference (in the context of) to Shimla district (Tentative)	Prof. Supriya Agarwal	
Rahul	2017-18	Praxis of the ‘Popular’: Resistance and Re-formations in the Poetry of Kabir and Bulleh Shah	Dr. Bhumika Sharma	
Padma Thinless	2018-19	A Peripheral Community versus Mainstream Community: A Case Study of Buddhist Community in Ladakh	Dr. Devendra Rankawat	

Sheikh Suheel Meraj	2018-19	Representation in Shahnaz Bashir's Scattered Souls and Identity in Nitasha Kaul's Residue	Dr. Devendra Rankawat	
Abhishek Verma	2018-19	MOOCs, the Future of Higher Education: A Comparative Analysis of Select MOOCs Offered by Indian and US Universities	Dr. Sanjay Arora	
Rince Raju	2018-19	Adjustment Strategies for Diasporic Existence: A Study of Select Fiction of Indian Diaspora	Dr. Devendra Rankawat	

### **PhD Awarded**

1. Ahamad Musfar (Supervisor, Prof. Supriya Agarwal)
2. Thokchom Nirmal Devi (Supervisor, Dr. Neha Arora)
3. S Prithvika (Supervisor, Dr. Bhumika Sharma)
4. Mahesh Satoliya (Supervisor, Dr. Sanjay Arora)

### **Department Activities:**

1. Film workshop, 30-31 August, 2018, Dr. Fatima Nizaruddin and Ms. Yasmin Schneider.
2. International Conference on 'Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation', 15-16 November, 2018.



## International Conference

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### Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation

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