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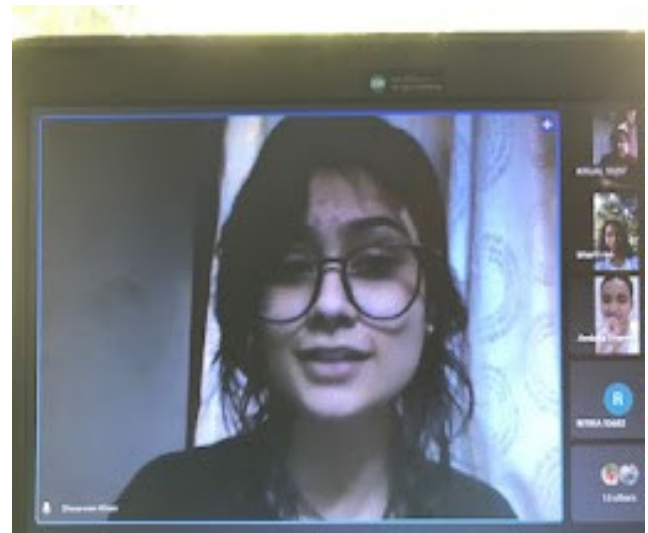
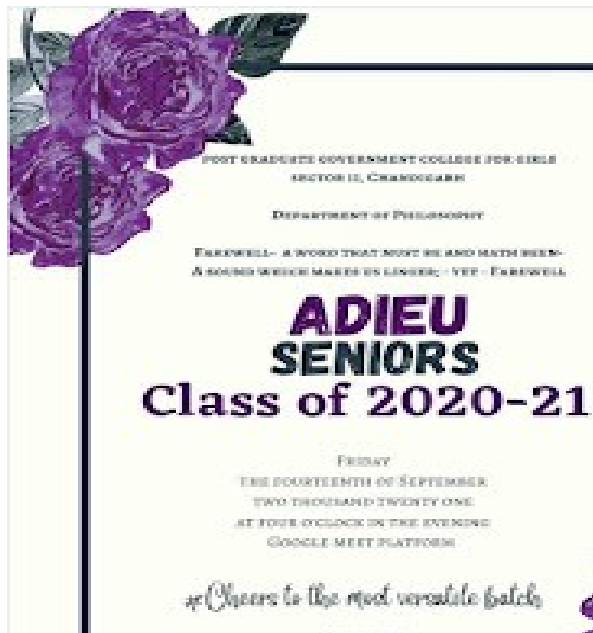
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Adieu Seniors BA III Class of Session 2020-2021

The Philosophical Society of PGGCG-11, Chandigarh organized an online event on Google Platform to bid adieu to the seniors on 14th September, 2021. The evening of 14th September came with the blessings for the batch 2018- 2021 as the Philosophy family joined together on a virtual platform. That evening was filled with mixed emotions for everyone who joined the meeting to witness the send-off to our seniors who were so supportive and helpful in all these years. They have been a constant support for all the juniors. The seniors one by one shared their favorite memories which they made in the college. To take the seniors on a roller-coaster ride on this campus filled with a plethora of emotions, an amazing video was prepared by Ms. Tanvi Chauhan to let them relive the moments of College Campus. The video made everyone emotional and put everyone in the perfect mood.



Discussion in Progress Adieu Seniors

Film Discussion on Ship of Theseus

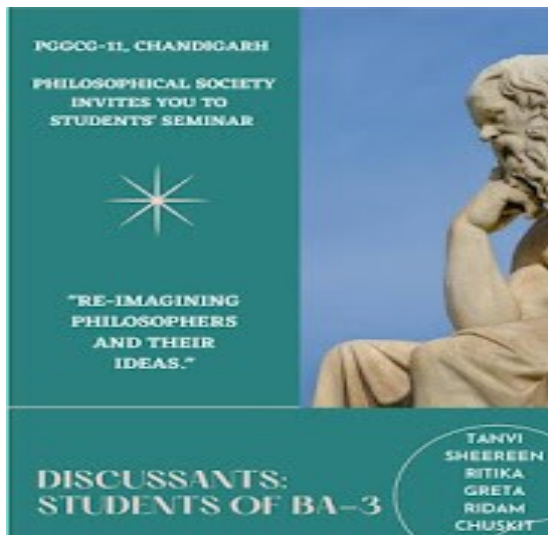
Philosophical Society: A students' discussion forum of PGGCG-11, Chandigarh organized an insightful film discussion on the film ship of these us on **18thSeptember, 2021**. It was a 2012 art film revolving around lives and experiences of an experimental photographer, an ailing monk and a young stockbroker who undertake a metaphysical journey in search of true meaning of identity, justice, beauty and the meaning of life and death. The discussants for this session were Bharti Rao (B.A.II), Simran (B.A.II), Kinjal Bir Singh (B.A.III), and Tanvi Chauhan (B.A.III) who very beautifully expressed various aspects of the film. All of the discussants creatively summarized the plot of the story and familiarized the audience with the basic idea of the film. Each one of them also highlighted a particular critical and analytical element of the film that struck them the most. After all the discussants were finished with their presentations, the platform was open for an open discussion where the present audience put forward various elemental and critical questions for the presenters and all the discussants did full justice to the answers.



Discussion in Progress Ship of Theseus

Re-Imagining Philosophers and Their Ideas

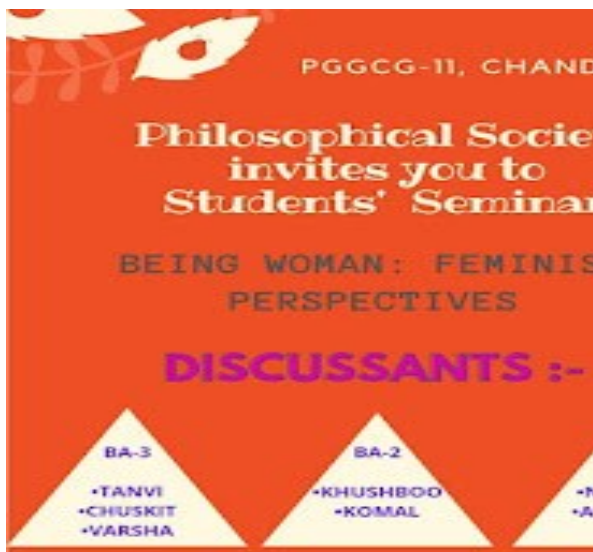
The Philosophical Society of PGGCG 11, Chandigarh organized a student seminar on "Re-imagining Philosophers and Their Ideas" on **24th September, 2021**. The purpose of the seminar was to introduce different philosophers and their philosophies with the participants. The First speaker Tanvi Chauhan student of BA III year introduced and discussed the philosophy of Sri Aurobindo Ghosh and informed that Aurobindo emphasized on the concept of spiritual realization that not only liberates man's consciousness but also transform his nature. The Second speaker was Sheereen Khan of BA III year who discussed philosophy of Aristotle. She pointed that reality does not make sense or exist until the mind processes it. Therefore, truth is dependent on external factors and person's mind. The third speaker was Ridam Mahajan of BA III year who discussed about George Berkeley's work and in detail shared the philosophy of subjective idealism. The last speaker was Greta Yendrembam of BA III year who discussed the philosophy of Swami Vivekananda and his contribution for humanity. She exclaimed that according to Swami Vivekananda's philosophy purity, patience and perseverance can overcome all obstacles. The seminar was a huge success and informative as well.



Presentation on Philosophy of Sri Aurobindo

Being Woman: Feminist Perspectives

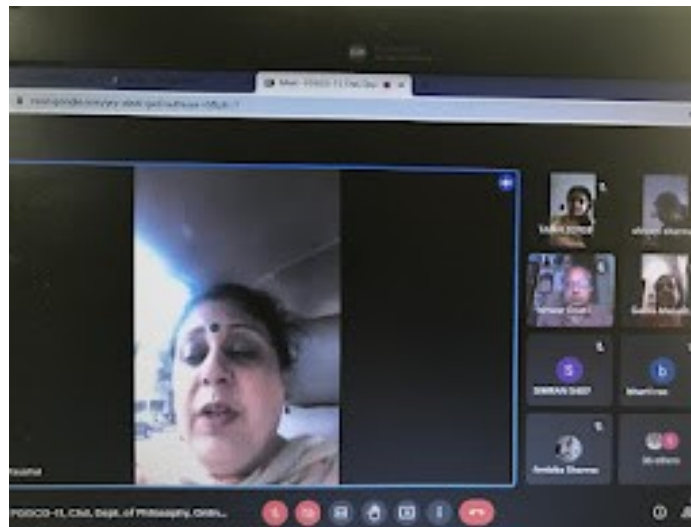
On 1st October, 2021, Philosophical Society Post-Graduate Government College for Girls sector 11 Chandigarh organized its 3rd student seminar on the topic “Being women: Feminist Perspective” in which students exchanged their idea on what is to be a feminist. Various students participated in the discussion. Nandini and Anandita from BA I year pointed out the issues of pseudo-feminism of how one gender deserves more respect from another by taking real-life examples. Tanvi from BA III shared different perspectives on being woman. She emphasized that women will have to discover and redefine and write new narratives of being woman and feminism. She also cautioned that Feminism should not be seen as anti-men but rather a co-participation of gender in respecting each other with their differences and spaces.



Students deliberating on Gender

What We Know About Ourselves in Thinking About Others

On 12th October, 2021, Department of Philosophy organised its first lecture of the online seminar series 'Dialogue' by inviting an acclaimed writer and philosopher Dr. Ishwar Singh Dost. Dr. Ishwar Singh who is also a distinguished journalist and a researcher working over two decades with electronic media like NDTV and Jansatta. The session was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr) Anita Kaushal who appreciated the Department of philosophy for having started the online seminar series "Dialogue" and said that "Dialogue would provide creative learning to the students and all participants." Dr. Ishwar Singh Dost presented his ideas on the topic "What we Know about Ourselves in thinking about Others". The event was moderated/Chaired by Tanvi and Neetu of BA 3rd year. Dr. Ishwar Singh Dost initially highlighted the concept of Self and Others where he brought into consideration the fundamental notions of 'I, We and They' and pointed out significant perspectives on philosophical question "Who am I?" He critically reflected on the institution of marriage and offered insights on the notion of Identity in different cultural context.



Principal Prof. (Dr.) Anita Kaushal sharing her ideas

A Discussion on Pedagogy of the Oppressed

The Philosophical Society, A Students Discussion Forum of Department of Philosophy of pggcg-11, Chandigarh organized the second lecture of online seminar series “Dialogue” on **26th October, 2021** from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm The speaker of seminar was Dr. Jayanti Dutta who is a faculty in Human Resource Development Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh. The dialogue revolved around the book ‘Padagogy of the Oppressed’ by Paulo Friere, a Brazilian educator. The book was published in Portuguese in 1968 and later on it was published in English in 1970. She talked about different models given in the book and how “banking model of education” is not good because it treats the student as an empty vessel to be filled with knowledge.



Principal Prof. Anita Kaushal and Resource Person Dr. JayantiDutta

World Philosophy Day Celebration

On the occasion of World Philosophy Day, The Philosophical Society of pggcg-11, Chandigarh, held an intellectual yet co-curricular fest, celebrating the contribution of philosophy in human interactions, educational sciences and cultural diversity with a vast spectrum of ideas and encouraging caliber of students via various competitions and events on **20th November, 2021**. The event was inaugurated by a welcome address by the presidents of the philosophical society 2021, Sheereen Khan and Tanvi Chauhan who introduced the Philosophical Society and the theme of the event. The main highlight of the event was the blended mode based extension lecture, on the topic, “Philosophy of Social Sciences”, by the resource person and chief guest for the day, This Session was Chaired by Ms. Sheereen Khan of BA III who kept the spirit high throughout the session and discussion. After the lecture, students of B.A II presented a beautiful group song performance, where they performed ‘Heal the World’ by Michael Jackson and lit up the environment with their beautiful voices. The next event was the intra-college debate competition on the topic ‘Rational Approach to Life Is Better than Emotional Approach’.



Principal Prof. Anita Kaushal and Resource Person Dr. Navneet Sharma

Philosophy in the Times of Digital Education

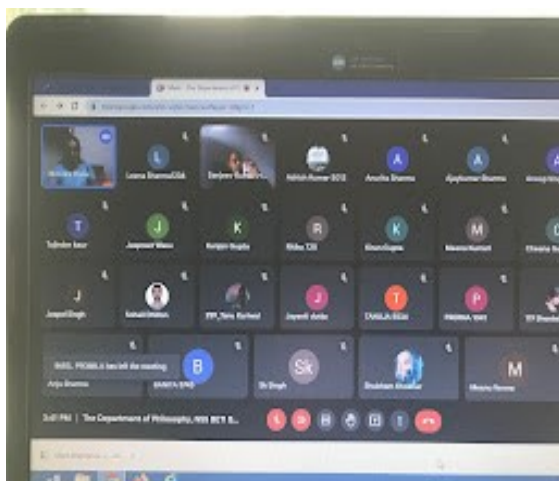
Celebrating 75 Years of India's Independence, the Department of Philosophy of the College in its webinar series "Dialogue" organized a special lecture on the topic "Philosophy in the Times of Digital Education" on **21st January, 2022**. The lecture was delivered by the College alumna Prof. Suman Mahajan, Head, Department of Philosophy, MCM DAV College for Women, Chandigarh. Her Lecture was very thoughtful and opened a good discourse on Socratic dialogue as medium of philosophical enquiry. She appreciated the digital education platforms as significant resource to connect to global academicians and their work. She very warmly remembered the College, her Philosophy teacher Ms. Promila Chand and extended special thanks to College Principal Prof. (Dr.) Anita Kaushal and Department of Philosophy for connecting her to her alma mater.



Flyer of the online seminar series 'Dialogue'

Education and Participation of Girl Child

On the occasion of National Voters Day and National Girl Child Week, (under Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Scheme) National Service Scheme (NSS) Units of the College in collaboration with Electoral Literacy Club and Department of Philosophy of Post Graduate Government College for Girls, Sector 11, Chandigarh organized a webinar on “Education and Participation of the Girl Child” on **25th January, 2022** at Google Meet platform in which resource persons Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Defense and Strategic Studies and Dr. Monika Dara, Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration of Post Graduate Government College, Sector 11, Chandigarh expressed their ideas. The resource persons informed the participants about the possibilities of achieving gender equality through addressing the existing discriminating practices and gender biases in our society and also dwelled on the concept of electoral democracy, constitutional and electoral rights and stressed that an educated girl child can participate better as informed citizen. Dr Monika Dara, who hails from the state of Haryana and has spent a considerable time conducting studies on women participation in local governance, in her presentation questioned gender inequalities, traditional patriarchal customs and other cultural norms which have neglected women dignity within the household as well as other public spheres. Dr. Sajeev Kumar and Dr. Monika Dara strongly affirmed that education is the only remedy and is inextricably linked to achieving gender equality/parity in the country. 50 students attended the event.



Dr. Sanjeev Kumar addressing the participants

Library Orientation

On **7th March, 2022** the Department of Philosophy organized a library orientation visit of the Department students at the College Library. The Library Staff felicitated the students and informed the students about the functioning of the library. On the occasion College Librarian Mrs. Jay Bharati addressed the students on the role and significance of library in life of students. The faculty and students extended their thanks to the library staff. 21 students attended it.



Students of Philosophy Department with College Librarian Mrs. Jay Bharti Kashyap

Language, Philosophy and 'The Folk': Looking for the 'Meaning' of Gender

Celebrating the International Women's Day, Department of Punjabi in collaboration with Department of Philosophy, PGGCG-11 organized a lecture on "Language, Philosophy and 'The Folk': Looking for the 'Meaning' of Gender" on **7th March, 2022**. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Ambuj Sharma of the Department of Philosophy. In his lecture, he presented a philosophical understanding of Gender and how it is constructed in the folk tradition across cultures. He informed that narratives written in language about Gender has provided a creative space for conceptual understanding of Gender and Gender justice. The lecture was attended by the students of the Punjabi Department of the College. 50 students attended this event.



Dr. Ambuj Sharma addressing the participants

International Women’s Day: My Story

Celebrating International Women's Day, the Department of Philosophy organized a special talk by Ms. Anjalika of MA Sociology final year on **8th March, 2022**. Anjalika shared her ideas on the title “My Story”. She shared her experiences from school and College life and how they have shaped her strong persona. She inspired the students to pursue education with zeal and commitment. The session was attended by students and faculty of Philosophy Department. 10 students participated in it.



Discussion in progress

Samvaad: An Interactive Academic Session and Get Together of the Students of Philosophy

Students of BA III & BA II and Faculty Department of Philosophy organized “Samvaad”, an Interactive Academic Session and Get Together of the students of Philosophy on **15th March, 2022** at the Sociology Seminar Hall. The Programme engaged a creative dialogue through culture and academic on the relevance of philosophy subject in contemporary times and its training in helping human minds derive normative knowledge for a good life and good society. The event comprised talent hunt, cultural and academic performances by the students of philosophy. The students of first year were presented the hand-made cards by the second and final year students of the Department. 50 students attended this.



Students of Philosophy Department during ‘Samvaad’ interaction

Auditions for Juvenescere: Annual Philosophy Fest 2022

The Department of Philosophy organized an audition session for selecting students on **31st March, 2022** representing College Team in various competitions (Debate, poetry recitation poetry writing, solo song, group song, solo dance, group dance, poster making, photography) during the Annual Philosophy Fest (Inter-College) ‘Juvenescere-2022’ to be held on 12th April, 2022. Many students enthusiastically participated in the auditions. 80 students were present.



Auditions for Juvenescere in progress

Juvenescere: Annual Philosophy Fest 2022 (Inter College)

Under the able guidance of the Principal Prof. (Dr.) Anita Kaushal and Dr. Ambuj Sharma, Head, Department of Philosophy, the Department of Philosophy of Post Graduate Government College for Girls, Sector-11, Chandigarh, organized Juvenescere: Annual Philosophy Fest 22 (Inter-College) on the theme “Freewill and Determinism” on **12th April, 2022**. Eight Colleges from Chandigarh participated in the nine various competitions. The event began with a presidential address and formal welcome by the presidents of the Philosophical Society, MsTanviChauhan and Sheereen Khan. Following this, Sudiksha and Megha were called upon to introduce a dance performance and to moderate debate competition.



Winner of poetry writing being felicitated by Principal Prof. Anita Kaushal