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## Education

**PANJAB UNIVERSITY**

Chandigarh, India

**Ph.D.**

2018

Specialisation: Sociology of Death and Dying

**Qualified U.G.C NET**

2009

**M.A. – Sociology**

2008-2010

**Dissertation Title:** Family Violence and Preventive Measure: A Study of Family Counselling Centres (FCC) in the Tricity of Chandigarh, Panchkula and Mohali.

It was an evaluative study to gauge the effectiveness of the FCC scheme by Government of India to act as a mediation agency for resolving the disputes within the family and facilitate the reconciliation of the families.

**B.A. – Sociology, History, Public Administration, English, Punjabi**

2002-2005

## Experience

**Post Graduate Government College for Girls.**

Chandigarh, India

**Assistant Professor in Sociology**

Since 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2010 till date

1. Teaching Sociology to Undergraduate classes.
2. Developed content for University School of Open Learning, Panjab University for M.A. course in Sociology and Women's Studies.  
Prepared modules as below :
  - Globalization, Mass Media and Culture
  - Diffusion of Global Culture through the Mass Media and its Impact on Society
  - Status of Women in Hinduism and Sikhism
  - Status of Women in Islam and Christianity

3. Developed E-Content for U.G.C. e-PG Pathshala, A project of Government of India on the topics:

- Neo Colonialism
- Impact of Globalisation: Religious Resurgence
- Resistance and Justice Movements: Water

Available at:

<https://epgp.inflibnet.ac.in/Home/ViewSubject?catid=33>

**Institute of Correctional Administration  
Research Investigator**

Chandigarh, India  
Sep. 2008 to Feb. 2009

Assisted in the research project entitled, 'Identification of Best Prison Practices'. Worked on data collection, analyses and report writing

**Fellowships**

Awarded with Barker Visiting Fellowship at the Durham Residential Research Library by Durham University, U.K. from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**Research Publications in Journals and Edited Books**

- The Changing Paradigm of Death and Dying, *Social Change*, Vol. 51, No. 3, 347–361. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00490857211032951>
- Polyamory A Critical Introduction: Features and Issues (2020), *Maharishi Dayanand University Research Journal*, ARTS, Vol 19, No.1, pp. 81-94  
ISSN 0972-706X
- Death Beliefs in Hinduism: An Analysis of Hindu Sacred Texts (2020), *Summerhill: IIAS Review*, Vol. XXVI, No. 2, pp. 10-17, ISSN: 0972-1452
- The Shifting Ontologies of Death and COVID-19 (2020), [www.doingsociology.org](http://www.doingsociology.org), <https://doingsociology.org/2020/09/30/the-shifting-ontologies-of-death-and-covid-19-veenat-arora/>
- Exclusion of Women in Death Related Practices (2020), in Navneet Saini and Sucheta Singh (Ed.) *Gender Equality in Contemporary India: Issues and Challenges*, Chandigarh: New Era Imprint  
ISBN: 978-81-290-0231-0
- Attitudes Towards Death: A Cross-Religion Study (2020), *Intellectual Quest*, Vol. XIII, June 2020, pp. 11-31 ([http://iq.cgcta.co.in/journals/1281\\_Article.pdf](http://iq.cgcta.co.in/journals/1281_Article.pdf))  
ISSN: 2349-1949

- Role of Media in Defining Death and Dying in the Modern Era (2019), in Navneet Saini (Ed.) *Role and Impact of Media on Society*, pp. 12-24, Chandigarh: Unistar  
ISBN: 978-93-83296-44-6
- Women and Religion: Portrayal of Women in Christianity and Islam (2016), *Samajbodh: The Journal of Social Understanding*, Vol.6, No.1, pp. 111-120  
ISSN: 2231-0207
- Global Culture and its Implications on Society (2014), *Sociological Quest*, Vol:II, No. III, pp. 23-30  
ISSN: 2347-8926
- Secular Trends in Death and Dying (2013), *Kerala Sociologist*, Vol: 41, No.2, pp. 194-208  
ISSN 0975-8933
- Women and Family Disputes: A Study of Family Counselling Centres in the Tricity of Chandigarh, Panchkula and Mohali (2012) in Ranjay Vardhan and Manoj Kumar Ed. *Indian Women: Issues and Perspectives*, pp. 415-432, New Delhi: Indian Publishers  
ISBN: 978-81-7341-493-0
- Family Violence and Protective Measures: A Study of Family Counselling Centres in the Tricity of Chandigarh, Panchkula and Mohali (2011), *Guru Nanak Journal of Sociology*, Vol: 32, No: 1, pp. 97-123  
ISSN: 0970-0242

### **Paper Presentations in National and International Academic Seminars and Conferences**

- *Swargarohan* Crematorium Project: A Sustainable Innovation for Open Air Cremation in Redesigning Deathcare Conference 2022 held at the University of Melbourne, Australia from 27-29 October, 2022
- Understanding Death Beliefs and Practices in Competing Cultures in XXIV International Summer University on *1989-2019: 30 years After- Central Europe in a Global Context*, held at Institute of Advanced Studies Köszeg, Hungary from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019.
- Sustainable Death Related Practices: A Case Study of *Swargarohana* Crematorium Project in International Conference on “Global Frameworks in the Local Context: Challenges and Way Forward at Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID), Chandigarh from December 5-7, 2019.
- Exclusion of Women in Death Related Practices: A Study of Hindus in Chandigarh in a National Seminar on *Challenges of Social Security and Social Inclusion for Inclusive Growth in India*, held at Post Graduate Government College for Girls, Chandigarh, India in August’2016.

- Death Beliefs and Practices in Buddhism at *South Asian History Conference* held at Department of History, Punjabi University Patiala, India in October'2015.
- Dying with Dignity: A Human Right? at National Seminar on *Human Rights of Marginalised Groups: Understanding and Rethinking Strategies* held at Post Graduate Government College for Girls, Chandigarh, India in February'2015.
- Violation of Human Rights of Homosexuals in National Seminar on *Human Rights Education and Values* at Arya College Ludhiana, India in January' 2012.
- Violence against Women and Protective Measures: A Study of Family Counselling Centres in the International Conference on *Women and Child Issues: National and International Perspectives* held at Punjabi University Patiala, India in February'2011.
- Cultural Changes of Contemporary India: Some Sociological Dimensions, in National Seminar for Young Scholars on *The Concept of Development in Indian Tradition* organised by Centre for Swami Vivekananda Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India in January' 2011.
- Public Attitudes towards Prison Reforms in National Seminar on *New Dimensions of Prison Reforms* organised by Institute of Correctional Administration and Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India in September' 2009.