

Centre for Study of Contemporary Theory & Research
in association with
Sappho for Equality

— presents —

A short term certificate course

**QUEERING THE DISCOURSE:
ADDRESSING SOCIAL EXCLUSION & MARGINALIZATION**

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CONCEPT NOTE

We associate a person with different forms of identities with respect to their economic class, caste, race, nationality, linguistic and cultural origin, political inclination, sexual orientation, gender expressions, religious sentiment, and so on. What is interesting to note is that in these forms of identities, one group has an easy accessibility to all the fundamental needs for survival (including living with honour and basic civil rights), whereas, another group lives in the margin and has to struggle to be visible. The latter group, which is technically termed as 'other,' is denied of and excluded from their basic human rights, whether it is food or clothes or shelter or education or employment or medical facilities or respect. A few questions that arise from this observation are (i) who denies basic human rights to the 'others?' (ii) why does this denial occur? (iii) how is the act of denial or exclusion practiced? (iv) What impact does the act of exclusion have on an individual, a group, and a society?

The Centre for Study of Contemporary Theory and Research (CSCTR), Adamas University, intends to create a space which will welcome free discussion on the issues of social exclusion and marginalization. With this in mind, CSCTR is offering a short term course on "Queering the Discourse: Addressing Social Exclusion and Marginalization."

MODULES

MODULE I: UNDERSTANDING THE SPECTRA

MODULE II: LIVED EXPERIENCES

MODULE III: QUEER DISCOURSE AND LEGALITIES IN INDIA

MODULE IV: CLAIMING THE "SPACES"

AIM OF THE COURSE

The aim of this course is to acquaint the course participants with the concept of alternative sexual identities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, identify the challenges faced by the LGBTQIA+ community, and acknowledge the rate of acceptance of the rights of LGBTQIA+ people around the world. The discussion of the course will be set in the background of some of the critical theories emerging from the thoughts belonging to the history, politics, law, medical, and literature of alternative sexual identities in ancient, medieval, and contemporary India.

The course will create a platform to build awareness related to sexual and gender identity, sensitize the course participants regarding the stigmatization of the LGBTQIA+ community, foster free exchange of ideas and welcome diversity of opinion.

Resource Persons

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Important Details

- **Fees :**
RS 2500
- **Payment details:**
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A/C No. 415610210000004,
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Bank of India, AIT Campus Branch.
- **Deadline for registration:**
5th March 2024.
- **Duration of the course:** 2 months.
12th March 2024 to 13th May 2024.
- **Time:** Tuesday & Friday
From 06:00 PM to 08:00 PM.
- **Registration link:** <https://forms.gle/rcTVLf5yHyLSXimd8>
- **Mode of Lecture Delivery:** ONLINE (Zoom platform)
- **INTERNSHIP:** Sappho for Equality will offer internship to the
top 10 scorers of the course.

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