



**RAM LAL ANAND COLLEGE**

**DBT STAR COLLEGE**

**UNIVERSITY OF DELHI**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Organises

**CERTIFICATE COURSE**

On

**GENDER DISCOURSES: THE INDIAN  
PERSPECTIVE**

For the students of

**RAM LAL ANAND COLLEGE**

From

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2023- DECEMBER 03, 2023**

## RAM LAL ANAND COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF DELHI



Ram Lal Anand College was founded in the year 1964 by late Shri Ram Lal Anand, a senior advocate in the supreme court of India, in response to the growing social demand in the sixties for providing educational opportunities at the university level. The college was initially managed by the Ram Lal Anand Trust. It was later taken over by the University of Delhi. Since 1973, it has been run by the

University of Delhi as a University Maintained Institution.

The college is located in the picturesque surroundings against the backdrop of the Aravalli ranges in the neighbourhood of the south campus of the University of Delhi and several other educational institutions. It has a vast campus, spread over ten acres of land with green lawns and elegant buildings of much sprawling architectural merit. The college has excellent infrastructure, with the state-of-the-art laboratories, seminar room, amphitheatre, library, playground and cafeteria. The campus is Wi-Fi enabled. Being in a multi-disciplinary, co-educational institution it has approximately 2500 students pursuing different courses in Arts, Commerce and Science streams. Ram Lal Anand College is administered by a statutory governing body as per the university ordinances and legislated by the Executive Council of the University of Delhi.

The college boasts of a highly learned and committed teaching faculty of about 105 teachers. Apart from their traditional role of disseminating knowledge, the teachers inspire and guide the students to manage different activities such as seminars, workshops, debates, theatre, cultural activities including classical music and dance programmes. Teachers are also involved in the guiding students in various research and innovation projects. RLA with its wide expanse of fields and a technical support provides conducive environment for sports. The College is proud to be one of the leading affiliates of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) and National Services Scheme (NSS) with an impressive member of cadets/volunteers enrolled each academic year.

## **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

The Department of Political Science at Ram Lal Anand College is engaging its students in getting first-hand experience through debates, dialogues, symposiums, national level seminars and through research. The teaching and research programme of the Department is based on a comprehensive social science approach that integrates and interrogates sociological, political, economic, philosophical and cultural dimensions. It encourages a comprehensive study and research in the field of governance and recent political debates, keeping especially the Indian and the international developments in focus.

The Department of Political Science has been attempting to decentre the notions and practices of the political from its conventional moorings in Eurocentric thought and history. While engaged in moving away in its research agenda from dominantly comparative models for some time, the Department has also insisted on learning and undertaking research on the current debates and institutions.

Our general focus has been supplemented by a growing emphasis on the need to combine theory with ethnographic and archival work. We believe that it is necessary to acquaint ourselves with both Western and Indian Thought in order to address and open out new empirical material to fresh questions. We are convinced that this will illuminate the unfolding reality of India and other countries/regions and also open out new research agendas for other institutions outside in and India. The Department has entered into many collaborations with institutions of national as well as international importance.

**This certificate course will be free of cost for the students across the departments of the College. The students have to write assignments which will be of 50 marks on any sub themes of the course. The attendance above 90% is compulsory which will be given out of 50 marks. Both the assignment and attendance will be counted while issuing the certificates.**

**DURATION: September 23- December 3, 2023**

(A Total of 40 hours)

**TIME: 6 pm – 8 pm on Saturdays and 4-6 pm on Sundays**

**REGISTRATION LINK:**

## **THE CONCEPT**

Human life exists upon this earth because of the union between male and female and for a healthy society it is essential that there should be no gender discrimination between them. The Indianized growth starts in the Vedic Period, where the position of women in general was fairly satisfactory. They had equal opportunities for developing as human beings. In Upanayana or initiation and Brahmacharya or the study of sources of knowledge, no discrimination was made between a boy and a girl. No religious or social ceremony could be complete without her. In the famous Vaksukta, the women seer says, “I am powerful enough to bind or unite my country and make it rich. I tighten the rope of Rudra’s bow”. The deterioration in the position of women began in the post - Vedic era. According to Mahadevi Verma, her “high status in the Vedic days was lost under priestly influence...The code of Manu set the tone against her”. The neglect of education, lowering of the marriage age and the advent of Islamic culture did much damage to the position of women in society.

***Feminism***, the belief in social, economic, and political equality of the sexes. Although largely originating in the West, feminism is manifested worldwide and is represented by various institutions committed to activity on behalf of women’s rights and interests. Throughout most of Western history, women were confined to the domestic sphere, while public life was reserved for men. In medieval Europe, women were denied the right to own property, to study, or to participate in public life. At the end of the 19th century in France, they were still compelled to cover their heads in public, and, in parts of Germany, a husband still had the right to sell his wife. Even as late as the early 20th century, women could neither vote nor hold elective office in Europe and in most of the United States (where several territories and states granted women’s suffrage long before the federal government did so). Women were prevented from conducting business without a male representative, be it father, brother, husband, legal agent, or even son. Married women could not exercise control over their own children without the permission of their husbands. Moreover, women had little or no access to education and were barred from most professions. In some parts of the world, such restrictions on women continue today.

### **Learning outcomes –students will learn to:**

- 1. Engage in intersectional, interdisciplinary feminist analysis.**
  - Demonstrate knowledge of the field
  - Understand interrelatedness of gender, race, ethnicity, class, disability, sexuality, age, religion, and other social categories
  - Apply theoretical frameworks of feminism, gender and women’s studies,

- queer studies, sexuality studies
  - Apply methods and methodologies
2. **Analyze socio-historical and contemporary power dynamics underpinning group relations, social institutions, and systems of representation.**
- Gain knowledge of multiple forms of oppression and marginalization
  - Understand historical and contemporary context in which women, queer, and gender non-conforming individuals have exercised their agency
  - Analyze systemic and institutional strategies of exclusion and inclusion
3. **Situate their analyses within various place-based contexts, including the rural, local, community, transnational, and global.**
- Link rural justice issues to broader social movements
  - Understand intersectional environmentalism and ecofeminism
  - Connect Crip, queer, critical race and ethnic studies approaches to place, environments, and the land
4. **Understand and articulate the history, strategies, and goals of interconnected movements for social justice.**
- Gain historical understanding of social movements and social justice
  - Articulate interrelated and intersectional nature of feminist, LGBTQ+, racial, disability, environmental, immigration, labor, and economic justice movements
  - Translate feminist and social justice theories into service or activism
5. **Demonstrate mastery of critical thinking skills necessary to succeed in diverse, 21st century work forces and communities.**
- Practice critical thinking through research, writing, and application of theory in interdisciplinary contexts
  - Demonstrate information and digital literacy

## FACULTY DETAILS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>FACULTY</u>
23 SEP 2023 (SAT)	Research Methodology in Gender Studies	<b>Prof. Renu Addlakha</b> Acting Director Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> / <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
24 SEP 2023 (SUN)	Gender and Sexuality; Concepts and Issues	<b>Prof. Renu Addlakha</b> Acting Director Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> / <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
30 SEP 2023 (SAT)	Disability and Gender: An Introduction	<b>Prof. Renu Addlakha</b> Acting Director Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> / <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
1 OCT 2023 (SUN)	Scripting Bollywood: History of Women Screenwriters of Hindi Cinema Creative Labour, Gender and Hindi Cinema	<b>Dr. Anubha Yadav</b> Associate Professor MA, (Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi), BA Hons (University of Delhi) Broadcast Journalism, New Media, Communication Theory <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:anubha.y@knc.edu.in">anubha.y@knc.edu.in</a> <b>Contact Number:</b> +91 11-26494881 (Office)
7 OCT 2023 (SAT)	Challenging Caste and Gender Relations in India	<b>Dr. Smita M. Patil</b> Assistant Professor School of Gender and Development Studies Block 15, New Academic Building, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi

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8 OCT 2023 (SUN)	Rethinking Caste, Gender and Music	<b>Dr. Smita M. Patil</b> Assistant Professor School of Gender and Development Studies Block 15, New Academic Building, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi Email:- <a href="mailto:smitapatil@ignou.ac.in">smitapatil@ignou.ac.in</a>
14 OCT 2023 (SAT)	Indian Feminism: Debates and Discourses	<b>Ms. Pragya Deshmukh</b> Assistant Professor & Teacher in Charge Department of English Ram Lal Anand College Mobile:- 9911220346 Email:- <a href="mailto:pragyadeshmukh@gmail.com">pragyadeshmukh@gmail.com</a>
15 OCT 2023 (SUN)	Gender and Climate Change	<b>Ms. Chandrika Arya</b> Doctoral Fellow Department of Political Science University of Delhi Guest Faculty at Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board, University of Delhi. Email:- <a href="mailto:chandrikaarya18@gmail.com">chandrikaarya18@gmail.com</a>
21 OCT 2023 (SAT)	AI and Gender: The Current Debates	<b>Prof. Ritu Gupta</b> Professor of Law National Law University, Delhi National Law University Sector 14, Dwarka New Delhi – 110078
22 OCT 2023 (SUN)	Gender Conflict and Governance	<b>Dr. Seema Kazi</b> Associate Professor Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , <a href="mailto:seema@cwds.ac.in">seema@cwds.ac.in</a> Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
28 OCT 2023 (SAT)	Feminist Legal Theories & Applicability of theories in India	<b>Prof. Alka Chawla</b> Professor In- Charge Faculty of Law University of Delhi Chhatra Marg (North Campus) Ph:- 011-27667895

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29 OCT 2023 (SUN)	Equality and Difference: Gender Perspective	<b>Dr. Seema Kazi</b> Associate Professor Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , <a href="mailto:seema@cwds.ac.in">seema@cwds.ac.in</a> Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
4 NOV 2023 (SAT)	Property Rights of Women in India	<b>Dr. Suman Yadav</b> Assistant Professor Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law University of Delhi Chhatra Marg (North Campus) Ph:- 011-27667895 Website:- <a href="mailto:clc@du.ac.in">clc@du.ac.in</a>
5 NOV 2023 (SUN)	Key Issues in the Legislative And Judicial Response towards Sexual Offences Against Women in India	<b>Dr. Harleen</b> Assistant Professor (Senior Scale) Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law University of Delhi Chhatra Marg (North Campus) Ph:- 011-27667895 Website:- <a href="mailto:clc@du.ac.in">clc@du.ac.in</a>
18 NOV 2023 (SAT)	Gender Health and Healthcare	<b>Dr. Bijoya Roy</b> Ph.D in Public Health and Gender Studies Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> , <a href="mailto:cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">cwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
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25 NOV 2023 (SAT)	Politics of Difference in the North east: A Feminist Reflection	<b>Dr. Papori Bora</b> Assistant Professor Centre for Women's Studies Jawahar Lal Nehru University New Delhi <a href="mailto:paporibora@mail.jnu.ac.in">paporibora@mail.jnu.ac.in</a>
26 NOV 2023 (SUN)	Politics of Difference in the North east: A Feminist Reflection	<b>Dr. Papori Bora</b> Assistant Professor Centre for Women's Studies Jawahar Lal Nehru University New Delhi <a href="mailto:paporibora@mail.jnu.ac.in">paporibora@mail.jnu.ac.in</a>
2 DEC 2023 (SAT)	Mothering and Education	<b>Dr. Vandana</b> Assistant Professor Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> , <a href="mailto:incwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">incwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>
3 DEC 2023 (SUN)	Mothering and Education (contd.)	<b>Dr. Vandana</b> Assistant Professor Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS) 25, Bhai Vir Singh Marg (Gole Market) New Delhi – 110001, India. Phone 91+11-23345530/ 23365541/ 23366930/ 42638702 Emails: <a href="mailto:cwds@cwds.ac.in">cwds@cwds.ac.in</a> , <a href="mailto:incwdsorg@cwds.ac.in">incwdsorg@cwds.ac.in</a> , Website: <a href="https://www.cwds.ac.in">https://www.cwds.ac.in</a>

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