

**National Conference
on
Women, Health and Identity :
Re-visioning a Multidisciplinary
Perspective**

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DEAR COLLEAGUES

It is our immense pleasure to invite you to the National Conference on 'Women, Health and Identity:

Re-visioning a Multidisciplinary Perspective' which is being held at The IIS University, Jaipur, on 12-13 February, 2016.

The concepts of women's health are embedded in aspects of lived experience from family to spirituality, from childhood to old age. In fact, concepts of health are an integral part of being a person. The way that one considers health, not only in terms of illness but also in terms of well-being affects all aspects of one's existence. Health is also a highly gendered concept with biological health and the reproductive cycle becoming a natural gender division. Within this division, it has been argued that women's health has become objectified through patriarchal social constructions in health provision, science, economics, politics, society and culture.

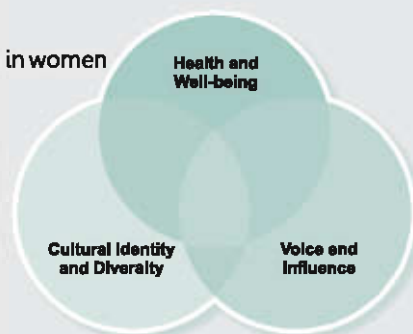
The person she has been, is now and will become is grounded in the status of health enjoyed by the woman. Consequently, this influences not only her ability to act on the world but also her perceived position in society. Research has shown that it is not just direct health experiences that contribute to the internalization of knowledge about illness and well-being. Other information such as social, economic and political representation of health, health relationships and vicariously represented health experiences also contribute to the construction of health identity.

This conference is being organized to generate ideas and strategies for engagement of academicians, researchers and health care professionals in debates concerning the ways in which women are oppressed within service environment and changes that must be made to institute more effective health services. Through this conference, we also hope to provide a vibrant platform for discussion and exchange of research findings on contemporarily relevant issue related to understanding of how gender influences identity and health, interaction between the two in society and its implications. The objectives of the conference include:

- To investigate the personal, interpersonal and societal aspects of construction of a health identity from the standpoint of women's subjective and social experiences
- To examine various facets of an evolving identity that moves away from the fixed stereotypical models of medical illness towards an axis of illness and wellbeing
- To explore further possibilities for construction of new models for reframing of women's health identity
- To consider the implication of these new models for those investigating, providing and delivering health care.

THRUST AREAS

- Contemporary issues in feminism vis-à-vis health and identity
- Perspectives on social, psychological and biological identity of women
- Social, biological and psychological approaches to mental and physical health in women
- Health identity in women: its construction and implications
- Positive psychology, health and identity in women
- Politics and economics of women's health
- Gendered health and identity
- Non-reproductive health in women
- Relational gender identity politics
- Women's health, social deprivation and personal identity
- Social and personal perspectives of self and health identity
- Feminism as Identity ontology
- Building health, constructing womanhood



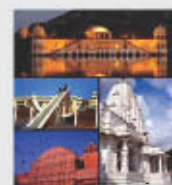
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The IIS University (IISU) is an exceptionally cosmopolitan and vibrant university based in one of the country's most exciting and ethnically rich cities – The Pink City. It is known for excellence in student centered learning and is dedicated and unequally qualified to prepare the students to become the World's next generation of creative leadership. Amongst the thirty eight deemed to be universities in India placed in the category 'A' by Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, IISU is a progressive institution that has blazed trails since its inception almost two decades ago as the International College for Girls (ICG).



ABOUT JAIPUR

Resplendent in the hues of its noble and magnificent past, the Pink city of Jaipur stands out as one of the most spectacular and culturally vibrant tourist destinations in the world. Its effervescent traditions, customs, and appeal have also earned the city the affectionate tag of the "Paris of India." The timeless appeal of the city lies in its pink garb, fairytale palaces, rugged fortresses, kaleidoscopic attires, spectacular gems and jewellery, exquisite handicrafts and magnificent silks and carpets.





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The abstract should not be of more than 250 words and should include:

Title	MS word, Arial (size 16 points), in single spacing
Author(s)	MS word, Arial (size 14 points)
Affiliation	MS word, Arial (size 12 points)
Abstract	MS word, Arial (size 12 points), in single spacing
Keywords	MS word, Arial (size 12 points), italicized, indented five spaces from the left margin

The abstract should briefly include the purpose of study, material and method, results and conclusions. At the bottom of the page, please indicate the category (thrust area/ subtheme) and the preference for presentation (oral/ poster). The name of the presenting author should be underlined and his/her email address should be mentioned.

Abstract should be submitted through email (ncgp2016@iisuniv.ac.in). One hard copy of the abstract must accompany the registration form along with the registration fee. The abstracts of only registered candidates will be considered for oral/ poster presentations. All the submitted abstracts will be scrutinized by reviewing committee and information of acceptance will be sent through email to the presenting/ corresponding author.

ORAL/POSTER PRESENTATION

Oral Presentation

- For each presentation a time of seven minutes will be given
- Presentation should be prepared in MS Power Point and brought to the conference on USB memory stick
- Standard Audio- Visual equipment will be provided for the presentation

Poster Presentation

- Size of the poster should be 1m×1m
- Pins and stand will be provided by the organization
- Poster should be legible enough to be viewed from a distance of 4 feet

REGISTRATION

Category of Participants	Registration up to 16 Jan. 2016	Spot Registration
<input type="checkbox"/> UG Students	Rs.800/-	Rs.1000/-
<input type="checkbox"/> PG students & Research Scholars	Rs. 1200/-	Rs. 1400/-
<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty/ Professionals	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 2200/-

- The Registration Fee is payable either by DD in favour of "The IIS University, Jaipur" or in cash. No Cheques or money order will be accepted.
- Registration fee includes: Delegate kit, Lunch and High Tea
- Photocopy of the Registration Form may be used
- The Registration Form can also be downloaded from the University websites www.iisuniv.ac.in and www.ncgp2016.iisuniv.ac.in and the hard copy of the duly filled form along with the registration fee submitted at the University reception or posted at the University address.
- Acceptance of Registration Form is subject to remittance of the registration fee
- For outstation delegates accommodation will be made available on request

ACCOMMODATION

The University has tied up with some hotels to provide accommodation to the delegates of the conference. Those wishing to avail this facility should provide their preference in the Registration Form as per the details given below:

Hotel Name	Single Room	Double Room	Meal Plan	Taxes	The rates are on per room per night basis
Fortune Park Bella Casa Tonk Road, Jaipur	@ Rs. 3500/ night	@ Rs. 4000/ night	Breakfast included	included	Meals other than Breakfast on extra payment
Jagrati Lords Inn Hotel Mansarovar, Jaipur	@ Rs. 1500/ night	@ Rs. 1500/ night	Breakfast included	Included	

Accommodation will be provided to the registered candidates on receipt of full payment

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for abstract submission	20 January 2016
Last date for Registration	26 January 2016
Submission of full papers by	01 February 2016

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