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GRADUATE RESEARCH MEET

11 th EDITION

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

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The Graduate Research Meet (GRM) is an annual research conference organized by the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati. Started in 2014, it has been at the forefront of showcasing multidisciplinary graduate research. Since its inception, GRM has provided a platform for over 1,000 scholars carrying out pioneering research in the field of Humanities and Social Sciences. The conference provides an opportunity for the participants to receive extensive feedback from renowned academics, engage in meaningful dialogues and discussions over contemporary issues, and provides a stage for deliberation on possible solutions.

DATE OF THE CONFERENCE 21-22 **JAN 2026 REGISTRATION FEE** ₹ 1250 (TO BE PAID ON SELECTION) VENUE **CONFERENCE CENTRE,** INDIAN INSTITUTE OF **TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI** PHOTO CREDIT: ESHA SARKAF

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A state of perpetual flux has been a consistent feature of human experience. We inhabit social, political, and technological conditions that undergo continuous transformations, and, hence, the concepts and tools for understanding them require similar fluidity. The disciplines of Humanities and Social Sciences have served, and will continue to serve, as professional spaces for such analyses, providing frameworks to map the contours of our ever-changing epistemic landscapes. Simultaneously, within these changing landscapes, certain fundamental inquiries persist. These constants—such as questions of meaning, justice, power, and identity—(re)emerge in different forms across time and space. Our methods of inquiry, whether to meet the ends of normative change, or pure curiosity, keep switching from negotiating with these age-old problems to those of contemporary times.

These interrogations are also influenced by the intricacies of knowledge production itself. The solutions and certainties of one era often become the complex problems of the next, demanding new premises, challenging established assumptions, and forcing us to rethink the foundations of our disciplines. Thus, in the 11th edition of the Graduate Research Meet, we aim to embrace the complexities of our collective inquiries and take the initiative to nurture multidisciplinary discussions that take the collaborative goal a little bit further.

We invite papers related to, but not limited to, the following sub-topics:

- Climate Change: Adaptation, Justice and Resilience
- Cognition, Memory, and Language
- Digital Perspectives in the Humanities and Social Sciences
- Emotions and Well-being
- Environment and Society
- Growth, Development, and Welfare
- Identity Making
- Market, Labour and Industry
- Material Culture and Heritage Management
- Media, Narratives and Narrative **Traditions**
- Military, Institutions, and Interactions
- · Northeast India: Pasts, Realities, Possibilities.
- Opinion Dynamics and Institutional Structures in Science
- Power Relations and Processes
- Speech, Sound Systems, and Language in Society

Who can apply: Currently enrolled PhD scholars

Abstract word limit: up to 1000 words Note: An award will be given to the best paper(s).

IMPORTANT DATES

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Abstract Submission Deadline 18 SAT

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15 Intimation of Acceptance SAT

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30 Last Date of Registration (1250/-)

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27 **Full Paper Submission**



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