DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



PROVIDENCE WOMEN'S COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 2021-22

University Exam Results, 2020-21

B.A. ENGLISH - 100% PASS M.A.ENGLISH - 100% PASS

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

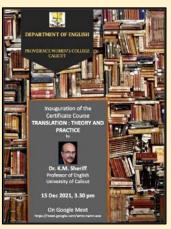
INTERNATIONAL WFBINAR

16 August 2021: **International Webinar** with the poet Prof. Martin Espada, organised on the occasion the 40th Anniversary of the Department of English



CERTIFICATE COURSE IN TRANSLATION STUDIES

15 December 2021: **Inauguration of the Certificate Course, Translation: Theory and Practice** by Dr.KM Sheriff,
Department of English, University of
Calicut



40th Year of the Department

Curricular Activities

 21 Dec 2021: MoU signed with Holy Cross College, Kozhikode for sharing of academic resources and organising collaborative programmes



Research Centre

Research scholars Ms.Divya Menon,
 Ms.Anuradha and Mr.Sreekuttan S joined the
 Department under the supervisors Dr.Surya K
 and Dr.Shanthi Vijayan respectively.

Research journal

 Diotimas', the peer reviewed journal approved by the University of Calicut, was published in June 2021. The thrust area -"Life Narratives"

R&D Cell

- 26 June 2021: Discussion on the topic, The Basics of Research and Project Work: A Student's Perspective, led by Neha Raj, alumna
- 4 August 2021: Webinar on Appropriating Literary Theory led by Dr. Priya K Nair as part of the International Muti-Disciplinary Webinar Series Khoj

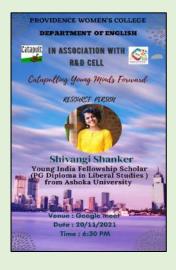


 8 August 2021: Talk on the topic Indian Partition of 1947: Monuments, Memory and Mnemonic Fiction as part of Project Poorv in association with Khoj, the international multidisciplinary webinar series conducted by the R&D Cell of the college. Ms.Aiswarya Sanath, an alumna of the Department, was the resource person for the event.





- 9 October 2021: Students' project presentation involving the alumnae of 2021-202. Hanan Ashraf, Anjali Soman, Devika S Praveen, Shahda Sadhiq and Greeshma Antony were the speakers
- 20 Nov 2021: Talk as part of the Catapult series. Alumna Ms.Shivangi Shanker was the resource person for the programme.



Faculty Publications

- 11 August 2021: Aparna N published a paper titled "The feminisation of youth: Rahman's stardom in Malayalam cinema of the 1980s" in South Asian Popular Culture, DOI: https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/14746689.2021.1965318
- October 2021: Aparna N published a paper titled Cuteness and Androgyny in Neo-liberal Kerala: Revisiting the Youth Film Niram in Vol.1, Issue 1 od Dialogist: International Journal of Literary Studies and Interdisciplinary Research, published by the Dept. of Studies in English, Kannur University.
- March 2022: Prathibha K published a paper titled "I am the Girl that things happen to": The Unapologetically Articulate Modern Heroine in Fleabag" in the peer-reviewed research journal Recherche: A Digest of Multi-Disciplinary Explorations published by the R&D Cell of the college
- March 2022: Surya K published a paper titled "Gendered Spaces and the Woman Question" in the peer-reviewed research journal Recherche: A Digest of Multi-Disciplinary Explorations published by the R&D Cell of the college

Paper Presentations

 10-11 Jan 2022: Aparna N presented a paper titled "Idols and Androgyny: Feminisation and Cross-Gender Solidarity in K-pop Fandom" at the international seminar Hallyu Namaste: Korean Waves on the Indian Shores organised by the Dept. of English & IQAC, Baselius College, Kottayam, in collaboration with MG University Kottayam and InKo Centre Chennai.

FDPs attended by Faculty

- 1-7 July 2021: Aparna N, Shanthi V and Elizabeth A FDP on "The Dynamics of Research: Prospects, Reflections, and Best Practices" organised by UGC-STRIDE, Mahatma Gandhi University, in association with IQAC, St. Xavier's College for Women, Aluva.
- 12 July -16 July 2021: Bindu A -RUSA funded FDP on "New Strategies and Tools for Teaching and Learning" organised by St. Joseph's College, Devagiri.
- 7 August 13 August 2021: Prathibha K In-House Online Faculty Induction Program ' Guru Dakshta 21', organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Providence Women's College, Kozhikode, Kerala
- 9 August 14 August 2021: Bindu A Six Day FDP on Literature and Film Studies organised by the School of Management Studies, NIT Calicut.
- 7-13 September: Prathibha K 7 days FDP on Gender Sensitisation and Gender Equality conducted by the Department of Youth Welfare and Women's Studies Centre, CUSAT, Kerala
- 21 September 2021: Shanthi V and Elizabeth

 FDP on Research Methodology from 21
 September- 05 October, 2021 organised by Ramanujan College, Delhi University
- 8-24 Oct 2021: Bindu A -FDP on "Literary Studies in the New Millennium" organised by the Dept. Of English, Pondicherry University.
- 9-15 November 2021: Aparna N FDP on "Recent Trends in English Literature" organised by Dept. of English, Mar Thoma College for Women, Perumbavoor, in association with UGC-STRIDE, MG University Kottayam.
- 3-9 Feb: BA attended a UGC STRIDE Faculty Development Programme on Outcome Based Education organised by MG University.

Faculty as Resource Persons

- 9 June 2021: Bindu A was a panellist in the live discussion on Higher Education in Kerala, telecast on Doordarshan Malayalam as part of the Varthamanakalam Series.
- 19 June 2021: Bindu A delivered the Reading Day speech at the Online meeting organised by Balajanasakhyam, Palakkad.
- 22 June 2021: Surya K was a judge for the drawing competition organised as part of the Pride month celebrations by the Reader's Club and Film club of the Department
- 23 June 2021: Bindu A delivered a talk titled "Framtidsbiblioteket" as the chief guest at the Reading Week programme organised by KV NO:2, Calicut.
- 3 July 2021: Bindu A delivered a talk titled "Only Connect" at a meeting of WordsWorth, the collective of Higher Secondary English teachers of Calicut.
- 12 July 2021: Bindu A delivered a talk titled "From Nusquama to Utopia" as part of the Reading Month of KV Pattom, Trivandrum.
- 2 August 2021: Elizabeth A chaired a session of National Webinar Series: EIDOS, Reflections on Culture (Culture and History) on 2 August 2021 conducted by the Dept. of English, Sree Kerala Varma College, Thrissur.
- 13 August 2021: Bindu A engaged a session on "The Art and Science of Teaching" at Gurudakshta, the Faculty Induction Programme organised by the IQAC for the newly appointed faculty of the college.
- 15 August 2021: Prathibha K served as the judge for ZEST 2021: Intra-Departmental Performance Poetry Competition at Farook College
- 28 August 2021: Prathibha K participated in the 16th Annual Inaugural Lecture by Dr. Wandana Sonalkar on the topic 'Dystopian Novels by Women Writers: Feminist Visions and Dictions' organised by Centre for English Studies and Research, Thrissur, Kerala
- 1 Nov 2021: Shanthi V delivered an invited lecture on the topic-"The God of Small Things: An Ecocritical & Feminist Analysis" on 1 Nov. 2021 at Sacred Heart College, Thevara.
- 3 Dec 2021: Prathibha K was the resource person for the seminar Enhancing English Skills organised by the Department of Mathematics, Providence Women's College, Calicut
- 14 Dec 2021: Surya K was the resource person for the Multi-disciplinary lecture series Imago 2021 organised by SN College, Chelannur

- 21-22 Dec: Bindu A. was a resource person in the Translation Workshop organised by the SCERt, Govt. of Kerala at Calicut.
- 28 Dec: BA was the interviewer in a programme recorded on Doordarshan TV Channel, with the scientist Dr. KP Nair.

Consultancy and Extension

- 9 June 2021: Aparna N was appointed as a member of the board of question paper setters for I Sem UG examination 2020 at St. Joseph's College, Devagiri.
- 29 -30 June 2021- Shanthi V was part of the Board of Examiners Board for M. A. IV semester Examinations of St. Joseph's College, Devagiri.
- 13 July 2021: Bindu A was the external examiner for the UG Project Viva at Zamorin's Guruvayurappan College, Calicut.
- 13-14 July 2021: Aparna N was external examiner for VI SEM BA project viva at Kunnamangalam Govt. Arts and Science College.
- 12-13 July 2021- Shanthi V was the internal examiner for VI semester B.A. project viva at Providence Women's College.
- 13-14 July 2021: Prathibha K was external examiner for VI SEM BA project viva at Savitri Devi Saboo Memorial College, Kunnamangalam.
- 15 July 2021- Shanthi V is appointed as member of the Board of question paper setters of M. A. English examination at St. Joseph's College, Devagiri
- 29 July 2021: Aparna N was appointed as external examiner for MPhil English project evaluation/viva voce June 2020 at Kannur University
- 30 July 2021: Aparna N was the external examiner for the M.Phil students' viva at the Department of English, Kannur University.
- 11-12 August 2021: Bindu A, Shanthi V, Surya K were part of the Board of Examiners for III Sem M.A. English Examination at the Dept. of English, University of Calicut
- 6 8 Oct 2021: Bindu A. and Shanthi V were part of the Board of Examiners for the MA IV Semester Examinations and Dissertation Viva Voce of the Dept. of English, University of Calicut

Talks Arranged for Students

 5 Jan 2022: Interaction with noted poet and translator Vineetha Mekkoth



 7 March 2022: Webinar on the topic Gender in Translation. Ms.EV.Fathima, eminent translator, was the resource person.



Alumni Interaction

 16 June: Interaction with alumna Rida Jaleel on "Preparing for PG Entrance Exams" for the Final year UG students of the department.



 19 January: A session for the Certificate Course, handled by alumna Krishnendu K

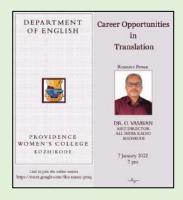


Career Guidance and Placement

 8 July 2021: Career Guidance programme on Cambridge Upskill Certification in association with Cambridge Assessment for the students of the department.



- 10 October 2021: The final year UG students of the Department attended a session on Higher Education and Career Opportunities in English organised by the Alchemy institution
- 7 Jan 2022: The Department organised a talk on Career Opportunities in Translation in the online mode. Dr.O. Vasavan, Assistant Director AIR was the resource person.

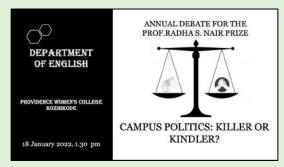


- 4 Feb 2022: The I and IIPG students and the previous PG batch of students attended a Pre-placement session conducted by Learning Everest Learning Solutions Company, Poona. Alumna Abhiya Nima coordinated the event
- 2 March 2022: An orientation session on the UGC-NET exam was organised for the PG students of the Department by eDExe

Co-curricular Activities

Debating club

 18 Jan 2022: The Annual Debate for the Prof.Radha S.Nair Prize was conducted on the topic "Campus Politics: Killer or Kindler?". Best Debater-Nayantara Thilak, III BA English; Best Team-Chemistry Dept. represented by Amaya N and Sona KS. Alumni Ms.Deepa and Ms.Divya judged the event.



Readers' club:

- JUNE 12, 2021 As part of the pride month the readers club collaborated with the movie club to conduct a discussion on movies and books that come under the LGBTQ+ genre.
- JUNE 19, 2021 The readers club conducted a programme called "BOOK SHOUTS". Students were requested to share about the books that they were reading at that moment.
- JULY 11, 2021 As part of the death anniversary of Vaikom Muhammed Basheer a letter-writing competition was conducted. Shamila student of secondyear physics won first place.
- JULY 31, 2021 The club conducted an online Harry Potter quiz under the name "ALHOMORA". Tesline George of the second year, BCom won tthe first prize.

- AUGUST 15, 2021- As part of the Independence Day celebration the members of the rreader club shared five timeless patriotic poems by extraordinary writers.
- OCTOBER 10, 2021 As part of Mental Health Day the club conducted a book recommendation. And thus created an awareness among the students.
- DECEMBER 31, 2021 The club conducted a programme What's ur's this year? As part of the programme, the members shared their favourite books of the year.
- From February 21 to 27, 2022 the club conducted a programme Say it loud
- As part of the Black history month. The members shared a series of short videos, recitations of poems by some amazing black poets.
- Apart from these, the club conducted weekly book recommendations. The members shared interesting books of different genres.

Film club

- Staff co-ordinator Dr.Shanthi Vijayan conducted a Google meet and selected executive members with Geethika Ashok from Second PG as Secretary and Nandana Jayaprakash from Third BA English as Joint Secretary. (June 5, 2021)
- Created telegram group named 'Provi Film Club' with the core members of the committee and Staff Coordinator Dr.Shanthi Vijayan (June 10, 2021)
- Created the Film club channel named '
 Provi New Wave' with 363 members in
 total(June 8 , 2021

- .Film club and Book club jointly conducted a program in connection with Pride Month celebration. The movies Moothon, Call me by your name, Schitts Creek series, Sex education series, Portrait of a lady on fire were discussed.(June 12, 2021)
- A competition under the title 'Machane aa Climax Porallo Aliya 'was conducted, to write an alternative movie ending to the popular movies.(June 22, 2021)
- Club conducted a talk by K. R Ragi, Assistant Professor, Arts and Science college on the topic of Marital Abuse in Movies



- Movie of the week is uploaded every week with a short description on the movie, as per the duty assigned to every member at the beginning of every month. The favourite movies of the club members were also uploaded every month. The Club members shared updates about the major events happening in Film Industry.
- Movie of the Month is uploaded every month by different members of the club .Panel discussion is conducted at the end of every month based on the movie of the month
- The students of Third BA English conducted four seminars on the movies Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring, Embrace of the Serpent, Elipathayam and Kite Runner.
- The students of Second PG English conducted two seminars on the topic 'Pleasure of Looking in Hitchcock's Rear Window and Vertigo. (April 5, April 7 2022)

 Ms. Shanti along with Nandana Jayaprakash, Chitrangada K P of Third English and Arya Dinesh of attended IFFK 2022 at Trivandrum. (March 18 to March 25, 2022)



Environment Club

 2 June 2021: Webinar on Environmental Ethics in Times of Covid-19 pandemic, led by noted environmentalist Prof. T.Sobheendran



16 Sept 2021: Poster making competition as a part of World Ozone Day.

10 Dec 2021: Green Initiative-Planting of Saplings. Ms.Ramani was the chief guest for the function. The PG students of 2019-2021 batch were the special invitees.



Radio Club

 21 Aug 2021: The Radio Club launched a podcast channel Groovin Waves. Sri.KM Narendran, Director, AIR&Doordarshan was the chief guest.



 10 Sept 2021: Release of second episode on Podcast channel



- 5 Oct 2021: 5 students Anasooya T (III Sem English), Rose Maria Stephen (III Sem English), Fida (III Sem History), Jeevitha Jyothi Biju (III Sem Psychology) and Swathi U (III Sem Chemistry) participated in the programme India: Post Independence aired on AIR as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsay celebrations.
- 8 Oct 2021: Release of third episode on Podcast channel
- 10 Nov 2021: 6 students Anasooya T (III Sem English), Rose Maria Stephen (III Sem English), Jeevitha Jyothi Biju (III Sem Psychology), Agnes P. John (III Sem Physics), Devika S. Nair (III Sem English) and Anagha T. (III Sem English) presented their creative programmes in the Calling the Youth programme aired on 13/11/21.

 24 Nov 2021: The Radio Club organised a contest for selecting radio voices for the programme titled AIRNx. The programme was held in the college auditorium. Alisha Anil of IIISem Mathematics emerged the winner of the contest.



Podcasts via Engpod

Engpod, the repository of audio lectures hosted by the department on literary and cultural studies, diversified itself with new areas of enquiry

16 September 2021: A new season was launched on EngPod with an episode commemorating Gail Omvedt by Dr.Reju George, faculty, NIT Calicut.

28 November 2021: An episode by Prof.Jameela Begum (former Director, Institute of English, Trivandrum) on Diaspora Studies

31 January 2021: An episode on Raymond Williams by Dr.Vipin Kadavath, Asst. Professor, Banaras Hindu University.

YouTube Channel

The Dept hosts a channel which serves as a repository of video classes by faculty and talks conducted by the Dept.

Student achievements

- Parvathy P Rajeev, M.A. English (2019-21) qualified UGC NET with JRF in December 2021.
- Cherie Diana, M.A. English (2018-20) qualified UGC NET in December 2021.
- 26 July 2021: Megha Suresh of IIPG presented an online talk titled "A Peep into the After-Effects of War and Human Activities on the Environment: Gone With the Wind from an Eco-Feminist Perspective in the Invited Student Talk Series, organised as part of the World Environment Day 2021 observance organised by ALShifa Arts and Science College, Perinthalmanna
- 15 August 2021: Henna Jaleel of III year won the third prize in the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Video Making Competition
- 1 October 2021: Jelna Praveen of IIBA English won the first place in the Quiz competition organised by Safi Institute of Advanced Study
- 6 October 2021: Anasooya and Rose Maria of II BA English participated in the radio programme organised by AIR on the changes that India witnessed since independence.
- 7 October 2021: Surya S of II BA English won the first prize in the State Level Translation Contest conducted by AL Shifa College of Arts and Science
- 21 October 2021: Parvathy Thilak of 2018-2020 batch secured the 7th position at the University level in the IV sem MA English examination.
- 3 November 2021: Adrushya M of IBA won the second prize in the All Keral Online Quiz Competition conducted by the Women's Cell, St.Stephen's College, Uzhavoor in connection with the Kerala Piravi Celebrations
- 1 Dec 2021: Anjana of IIBA English won the RJ for One Day competition conducted by RED FM
- 10-11 Jan 2022: Kavya MS of I MA English presented a paper titled "Surge of Korean Waves on the Indian Shore" at the international seminar Hallyu Namaste: Korean Waves on the Indian Shores organised by the Dept. of English & IQAC, Baselius College, Kottayam, in collaboration with MG University Kottayam and InKo Centre Chennai.
- Anagha Jayanandan of 2019 batch qualified the SET examination
- Aloshya B Simon of 2018 batch enrolled for higher studies at University of Northampton, UK
- Shivangi Shankar of 2020 batch won the Young India Fellowship by Ashoka University

Faculty Participation in Seminars and Workshops

- 9 June 2021: Prathibha K participated in the National Webinar on Exploring The Trajectories Of Mooc In The Education Scenario organised by the Department of English, NSS College Nemmara13 June 2021: BA attended the webinar on "NEP and ODL Systems: Challenges in ELT" organised by ELTAI.
- 13 June 2021: Bindu A attended the webinar on "Little Magazines and Modernism in Malayalam" with P. K. Rajasekharan," as part of the Series on "Cultural Studies in/of Keralam: Politics, Praxis, Methods" organised by the Centre for Cultural Studies, University of Kerala.
- 12 & 13June 2021: Prathibha K participated in the Twoday International Workshop on Stress & Coping: Strategies to De-Stress Organized by Women Empowerment Cell, GITAM (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam, AP, India
- 14 June 2021: Surya K participated in the inaugural webinar of the R&D cell of the college, on Covid-19 Vaccination and Post Covid Blues
- 18 June 2021: Prathibha K participated in the National -Workshop on MLA Style of Referencing: The 9th Edition Updates organised by Department of English, R. D. Deore Arts and Science College, Mhasadi, Maharashtra in association with English Language Teachers' Association of India(ELTAI)
- 18-20 June 2021: Pathibha K participated in the Three Day Orientation programme for English Language and Literature teachers, organised by Dept of English, University of Calicut20 June: BA attended the webinar on "Proficiency and Pedagogy: Their Role in Developing ELT Practices" organised by ELTAI.
- 22 June 2021: Prathibha K participated in OUCIP online Lecture Series on Postmodernism to Metamodernism: A Sojourn conducted by Osmania University Centre of International Programmes
- 24 June 2021: Bindu A attended the webinar on "Sounds of Shakespeare" with Prof. Jonathan Gil Harris, organised by Avid Learning, Mumbai.
- 27 June 2021: BA attended the webinar on "Gender in Discourse: Implications for Classroom Teaching" organised by ELTAI.
- 2 July 2021: Bindu A attended the National Level Webinar on "'Space' as Critical Category in Contemporary Literature" organised by St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
- 7 July 2021: Bindu A attended a National Level Webinar on "Dalit Literature: Past, Present and Future" organised by AIJHM College, Rohtak.
- 11 July 2021: Bindu A attended the webinar on "Diaspora, Globalisation through the Lens of Modernism" organised by ELTAI.
- 5 Aug 2021: Bindu A attended a lecture titled "Speaking in Code: Why Textualism is a Non-Starter" delivered by Prof. Stanley Fish as the 33rd C A Shepard Memorial Lecture organised by SB College, Changanassery.
- 6th August 2021: Prathibha K participated in the International Webinar on Dowry Death: An Indian Case Study on Durkheimian Theory of Suicide organised by the Department of English, Al Ameen College, Edathala

- 10 August 2021: Prathibha K participated in the National Webinar On "The importance of Data Visualizations" under GAD-TLC under Ministry Of Education Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission
- 19 August 2021: Prathibha K participated in the National Webinar on 'National Education Policy & the Academic Bank of Credits' organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Providence Women's College, Kozhikode, Kerala, India
- 19 August 2021: Bindu A attended the National Webinar on "The NEP and Academic Bank of Credits" organised by the IQAC, Providence Women's College.
- 22 August 2021: Bindu A attended a webinar on "Shaping Indian Diaspora: Literary & Cultural Representation of the Desi" organised by ELTAI.
- 24 August 2021: Bindu A attended a webinar on Internships organised by Internshala Career Consultants.
- 28 August 2021: Prathibha K participated in the 16th Annual Inaugural Lecture by Dr Wandana Sonalkar on the topic 'Dystopian Novels by Women Writers: Feminist Visions and Dictions' organised by Centre for English Studies and Research, Thrissur, Kerala
- 4 Sept: Bindu A attended an online discussion on Poetry, titled "The Witness Stumbling along the River", organised by the Quarantine Train Writers' Collective.
- 6 8 Sept: Bindu A attended the 3 day International Virtual Conference on "Voices from the Margins: Exploring Fringe Articulations in Literature and Culture" organised by SB College, Changanassery.
- 8 September 2021: Surya K participated in the International Webinar on "Learning in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities organised by the Faculty of Humanities and Science, Department of English, Dr.MGR Educational and Research Institute, Tamil Nadu
- 20 Sept 2021: Bindu A attended a talk by Prof. Colin McCabe on "A History of Cultural Studies" organised by the Dept. of Studies in English, Kannur University.
- 20 Sept 2021: Bindu A attended a webinar on Digital Offerings for Higher Education organised by Cambridge Assessment.
- 25 September 2021: Surya K attended the International Multidisciplinary Webinar Series Convergence 2021 organised by IQAC, SES College, Sreekandapuram titled "Uses of Literature and Literary Theory"
- 27 Sept 1Oct: Ramani C.E. and Bindu A attended the 5 day webinar on "Beyond the Boundaries" organised by KE College, Mannanam and School of Letters, MG University.
- 26 Oct 2021: Bindu A attended the national webinar on "Little Feminisms" organised by the Dept. of English, Malabar Christian College, Calicut.
- 30 Oct 2021: Bindu A attended a webinar titled "Drama, Discourse, Dialogue: A Retrospective of Plays by Manjula Padmanabhan" organised by the Dept. of English, Jesus and Mary College, New Delhi.
- 10-11 Jan 2021: Prathibha K attended the Media Literacy Boot Camp organised by Collegiate Education Department in continuation with the Kerala Government's ongoing programme Satyameva Jayate at KTDC Samudra, Trivandrum