

# MAHATMA GANDHI CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

A Two days International Seminar

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# Bridging Theory and Praxis: Reclaiming and Reimagining Sociology

Date: 4th -5th March, 2025

# **Sub-Themes:**

# 1. Theoretical Legacies and Contemporary Praxis

• Explore case studies demonstrating the transition from sociological theory to practice.

# 2. Sociology and Artificial Intelligence

• Investigate sociological frameworks designed to mitigate the risks of AI and enhance its benefits for society.

# 3. Policy and Governance

• Examine the influence of sociology on shaping policies in areas such as welfare, education, and climate change.

#### 4. Boundaries and Globalization

• Analyze the role of sociology in addressing issues of nationalism, migration, and global justice.

#### 5. Interdisciplinary Futures

 Highlight collaborations between sociology and fields like STEM, public health, and urban planning.

### 6. Pedagogy and Public Sociology

• Consider rethinking sociology curricula to focus on applied skills and digital literacy.

# 7. Ethics, Technology, and Power

 Discuss issues of surveillance, privacy, and efforts to decolonize sociological praxis in technology-driven societies.



# **Important Dates:**

- Extended Abstract Submission: February 23, 2025 (500 Words)
- Acceptance of Abstract: February 24,2025
- Conference Dates: March 4-5, 2025

# **Submission Guidelines:**

Paper Length: 5000-7000 WordsCitation Style: APA

Selected papers will be published either in a reputed journal or as an edited book by an international publisher.



Send your abstract and papers to: <a href="mailto:sociomgcu@gmail.com">sociomgcu@gmail.com</a>
and

#### register through:

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Authors are requested to submit their papers by March 15th for consideration of publication.

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### **NO REGISTRATION FEE**

Travel Allowances and accommodation will be provided to outstation paper presentors.

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# Concept Note:

Sociology has faced sustained critique for its theoretical orientation, often deemed distant from practical engagement. However, these same theories—ranging from Marx's critique of capitalism to Bourdieu's habitus—have provided critical insights into understanding social phenomena, informed policy, and shaped discourses. In today's globalized and technology-driven world, sociology's relevance is more pronounced as societies grapple with rigid boundaries, artificial intelligence, and global disruptions. This conference aims to reimagine the role of sociology in today's interdisciplinary and rapidly evolving context, demonstrating its applicability while retaining its theoretical foundations.

We are inviting original papers that address the critical relationship between sociology's theoretical legacies and contemporary praxis, exploring themes such as the role of sociology in AI, policy formation, globalization, and interdisciplinary collaborations. Selected papers will be published in a journal or an edited volume by a reputed publisher, providing a significant opportunity for academic recognition and dissemination of your research

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#### About the University

Mahatma Gandhi Central University is a distinguished institution of higher education situated in Motihari, within the East Champaran district of Bihar, India. Established in 2016, the university honours the legacy of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, and is dedicated to offering high-quality education and research opportunities to students from across India. The university provides a diverse array of undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs covering multiple disciplines, including Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities, Commerce, and Management. The institution is committed to fostering academic excellence and research, emphasizing the development of skills and knowledge essential for success in today's competitive environment. With stateof-the-art infrastructure, a highly experienced faculty, and a vibrant campus life, Mahatma Gandhi Central University stands out as an excellent choice for students seeking a world-class education in India.

# About the Department

The Department has been functioning since its beginning of academic session in 2016 under the School of Social Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi Central University (MGCU) Bihar. This is one of the important departments of the University which cater the contemporary needs of the Indian society. It has well qualified faculty members educated from institutions of prominence and involved in teaching and research. It offers the courses by looking the relevance and importance.

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