



**National Seminar on
Role of Universities in Social
Transformation**

(May 24 - 25, 2023)



Organized by

Department of Sociology

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Hazratbal, Srinagar - 190006 (Jammu and Kashmir)

Concept Note:

Higher education is a determinant of development and one of the most important investments a country should choose to make in its citizens because it provides workforce with professions, technical, and managerial skills – creating attitudes and changes necessary for the socialization, modernization, and the overall transformation of the societies. Analyzing the economic and social benefits of knowledge and skills from competencies acquired from university education is a critical source for transforming society – which can foster discussions on significant planning areas that are necessary for developing strategies for completion, where job creation, developing skills, cultivating informed citizenship, and disseminating knowledge are core concerns.

In this direction, Universities have proven crucial to social, economic, and cultural evolution. In fact, universities have throughout history been dynamic catalysts for change. They are the places where people come together from diverse backgrounds, where we read widely, where we talk, and where the talk sparks ideas. The ideas that have emanated from universities have challenged religion, power, and politics. However, in order for universities to perform their unique duty as change enablers, they must simultaneously embrace their roles as change targets and change enablers, ensuring that they are role modeling the types of methods and impacts they wish to foster.

The purpose of this seminar is to examine the impacts of university education on economic development and social responsibilities at all aspects, including social and economic benefits that can lead to improvement of living standards of individuals and society. The seminar will provide a platform for an interface among various stake holders and facilitate us to understand the issues and concerns related to the universities for the subsequent follow-up.

Sub themes

- Universities and Higher Education: Present and Future
- Challenges of Globalization on Higher Education

- National Education Policy 2020: Restructuring Universities and Higher Education
- Sustainable development and the Role of Universities
- Universities and Nation Building
- Role of Universities in entrepreneurship development
- Universities contribution to Gender Equality
- New challenges to the Universities in 21st Century

Call for Papers / Abstract Submission

Presentations on theoretical and methodological aspects of identified themes on related areas as well as case studies are welcomed.

We would be receiving abstracts only at hodsociology@uok.edu.in

The abstract body should be short (300 words), clear, concise, and written in English language with correct spelling and sentence structure. Mathematical symbols and equations can be typed in or embedded as images. The sequence of the abstracts be:

- Title of the paper
- Author(s) name(s)
- Affiliation, address
- Email ID
- Abstract body
- Key words

Abstract should be clearly indicate the research problem, the methodology and results of the work and should be carefully compiled and thoroughly checked, in particular with regard to the list of authors, before submission in order to avoid last-minute changes.

All abstracts will be reviewed by the Committee to ensure that the topic of the submission is consistent with the scope of the seminar. Successfully submitted abstracts will be acknowledged with an electronic receipt including an abstract reference number, which should be quoted in all correspondence.

Abstracts will be accepted until Tuesday, **February 28, 2023** till 5:00 p.m. only.

Important Dates

Last Date of Abstract Submission	February 28, 2023
Notification of the acceptance	March 25, 2023
Last Date of Registration for the Seminar	April 05, 2023

Seminar Registration

Registration link for the Seminar shall be active from till April -05, 2023 (5.00 p.m.)

Please register using the following link
<https://forms.gle/a4eFwFApSVxTiB47A>
or scan the Bar Code



Registration Fee Details

With Accommodation	Rs. 5500/-
Without accommodation (Faculty)	Rs. 2500/-
Without accommodation (Research Scholars)	Rs. 1500/-

The registration fee has to be paid through Net Banking on the details given as follows:

Bank Account Details

Name of the Account Holder	H.O.D. of Sociology, KU
Account Number	0007010100000831
Name of the Bank	Jammu and Kashmir Bank
Branch	Hazratbal
IFSC Code	JAKA0NASEEM (0 - Zero)

After paying the registration fee, you need to take the screen shot and upload it in the registration form along with the transaction ID. This would enable is to locate the registration details of the participants hassle-free.

University of Kashmir

The University of Jammu and Kashmir was founded in the year 1948. In the year 1969 it was bifurcated into two full-fledged Universities: University of Kashmir at Srinagar and University of Jammu at Jammu. The University of Kashmir is situated at Hazratbal in Srinagar. It is flanked by the world famous Dal Lake on its eastern side and Nigeen Lake on the western side. The Main Campus of the University spread over 247 acres of land is divided into three parts - Hazratbal Campus, Naseem Bagh Campus and Mirza Bagh Campus (serving residential purpose). Additional land has been acquired at Zakura near the main campus for further expansion of the University. The tranquil ambience of the Campus provides the right kind of atmosphere for serious study and research. Over the Years University of Kashmir has expanded substantially. It has established Satellite Campuses at Anantnag (South Campus), Baramulla (North Campus) and at Kupwara, to make higher education more accessible to people living in remote areas of Kashmir valley.

The University has also established a Sub-Office at Jammu to cater to the needs of the candidates enrolled with the University from outside Kashmir. The University is committed to provide an intellectually stimulating environment for productive learning to enhance the educational, economic, scientific, business and cultural environment of the region. The University offers programmes in all the major faculties. It has been constantly introducing innovative/ new programmes to cater to the needs and demands of the students and the society. Over the years, the University has marched towards excellence in its programmes and activities. It has been re-accredited as Grade-A+ University by the National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) of India. This is recognition and reflection of the high standard of quality in teaching and research at the University of Kashmir. The University of Kashmir is eulogized for its exceptional contribution towards teaching, research, and service in nation-building. It also provides equal opportunity for students from different streams at various levels of education. To meet the

challenges in higher education, University has accepted from time to time the Semester system, Choice Based Credit System and now New Education Policy (NEP).

How to reach Srinagar

By Air: the nearest airport to reach Srinagar is Srinagar Airport (an international airport). This airport is well connected and airlines offer regular flights from Srinagar to Delhi, Mumbai, Chandigarh, Lucknow and Bangalore. The airport is placed just few kilometers away from the center of the city.

By Rail: To reach Srinagar by train, one has to reach either Banihal railway station. From the Srinagar Railway station, you can hire Cabs / taxis to reach this center of the city / University of Kashmir.

By Road: Srinagar is the capital of the Jammu and Kashmir UT. The city is well connected with major cities like Delhi, Chandigarh, Leh and Jammu. There is good Bus service and Cab service available.

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