

**Scottish Church College  
&  
IIT, Jodhpur**

**Online International Faculty Development Programme  
on  
*Introduction to Digital Humanities*  
19<sup>th</sup> August to 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**

The first collaboration under the MoU between **Scottish Church College, Kolkata** and **IIT, Jodhpur** was a **Five Day Online International Faculty Development Programme on ‘Introduction to Digital Humanities’**. The FDP took place between **19<sup>th</sup> August to 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2023** --over five Saturdays from 5 to 7pm on WebEx platform and also through a live YouTube feed. The programme had an overwhelming response with more than 800 registrations with a daily attendance of over 100. It had speakers who are experts in the emerging field of Digital Humanities and laid down the basics of the subject as a concept, as an academic practice, pedagogy and its prospects in India. The primary objective was to introduce a wide number of audiences to a broad understanding of Digital Humanities as a fast emerging field of study and research in India. Given the feedback and the regular attendance of the sessions it seems that the purpose was indeed fulfilled to a large extent. The FDP was coordinated jointly by Dr. Tonisha Guin, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Affiliated Faculty, IDRP of Digital Humanities, IIT, Jodhpur, Dr. Shrimoyee Guha Thakurta, Associate Professor, Department of History, SCC and Dr. Varbi Roy, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, SCC.

The first day began with a brief inaugural session that saw our Principal, Dr. Madhumanjari Mandal, Vice Principal Dr. Supratim Das speaking on behalf of Scottish Church College while IIT was represented by Professor Santanu Chaudhury, Director, IIT Jodhpur who introduced the FDP to the participants. He was accompanied by Dr. Parichay Patra, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Coordinator of the Digital Humanities Interdisciplinary Research Platform, IIT, Jodhpur.

Below are some glimpses from the sessions---



Inter-disciplinary Research Platform of  
Digital Humanities  
Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur  
Jodhpur, India



Scottish Church College, Kolkata, India

## Online International Faculty Development Program Introduction to Digital Humanities



August 19-September 16, 2023

Ideal for Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences  
(English, Linguistics, Indian Languages & Literatures,  
Sociology, History, Political Science, Anthropology,  
Geography, Psychology, Mass Communication, Journalism,  
Philosophy, Women's Studies, Economics, Education &  
others)

Last Date of Registration: August 16, 2023

Click [here](#) to register (registration is free).

For any query, reach us at [digitalhumanitiesatitj@gmail.com](mailto:digitalhumanitiesatitj@gmail.com)

### Program:

#### Session 1:

5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, 19 August 2023

What is/are the Digital Humanities?

Faculty Instructor: Mr. Samya Brata Roy

#### Session 2:

5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, 26 August 2023

The Digitised Academic: Theories &  
Praxis'

Faculty Instructor: Dr. Tonisha Guin

#### Session 3:

5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, 2 September 2023

"Where is the Pedagogy?" Contours of  
DH Curricula Globally and in India

Faculty Instructor: Dr. Mayurakshi Chaudhuri

#### Session 4:

5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, 9 September 2023

An Introduction to Text Mining

Faculty Instructor: Dr. Shanmugapriya T.

#### Session 5:

5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Saturday, 16 September 2023

Anxieties and Excitement of Doing DH in  
India

Faculty Instructor: Prof. Arjun Ghosh



### Faculty Instructors



**Prof. Arjun Ghosh**

Professor,  
Department of Humanities and Social  
Sciences,  
IIT Delhi



**Dr. Mayurakshi Chaudhuri**

Associate Professor of Sociology and Digital  
Humanities,  
FLAME School of Liberal Education,  
FLAME University, Pune



**Mr. Samya Brata Roy**

Doctoral Scholar,  
School of Liberal Arts,  
IIT Jodhpur



**Dr. Shanmugapriya T.**

Postdoctoral Scholar,  
Department of Historical and Cultural  
Studies, University of Toronto



**Dr. Tonisha Guin**

Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts,  
Affiliated Faculty, IDRP of Digital Humanities,  
IIT Jodhpur

### Program Conveners:

**Dr. Shrimoyee Guha Thakurta**  
Associate Professor & Head, Department of History,  
Scottish Church College

**Dr. Varbi Roy**  
Associate Professor & Head, Department of Philosophy,  
Scottish Church College

**Dr. Tonisha Guin**  
Assistant Professor,  
IIT Jodhpur

## Inaugural Session



Dr. Madhumanjari Mandal, Principal, SCC delivering the Welcome Address



Prof. Santanu Chaudhury, Director, IIT, Jodhpur introducing the FDP

Day 1 Speaker: Mr. Samya Brata Roy, Doctoral Scholar, School of Liberal Arts, IIT, Jodhpur

Chair: Dr. Natasa Thoudam, Assistant Professor, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Affiliated Faculty, IDRIP of Digital Humanities, IIT, Jodhpur

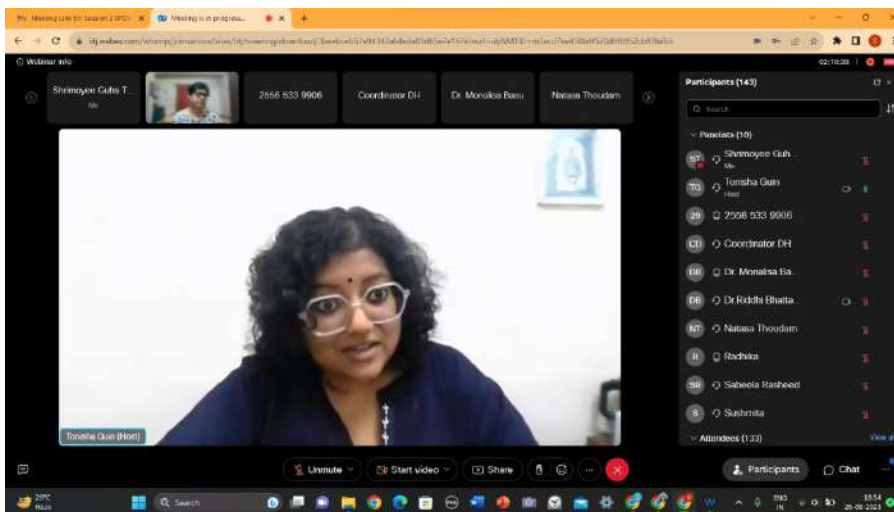
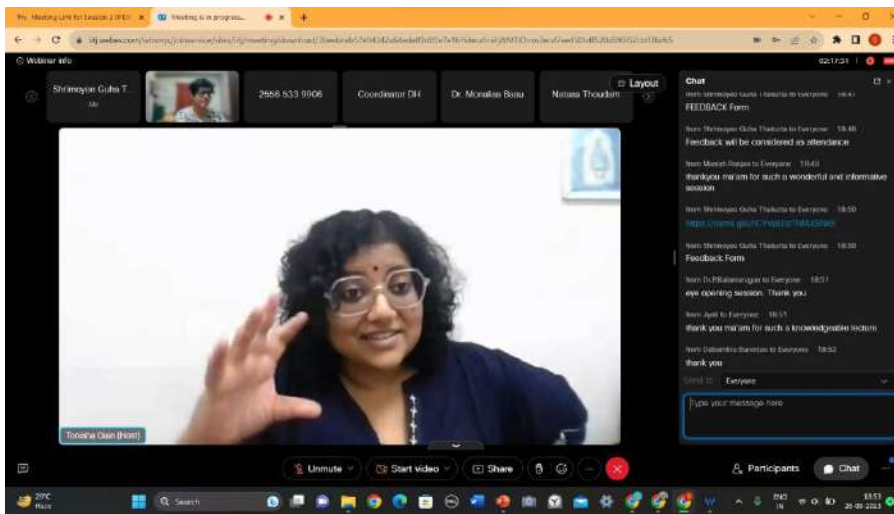


Dr. Esita Sur, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, SCC introduced the speaker



Day 2: Speaker: Dr. Tonisha Guin, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Affiliated Faculty, IDRП of Digital Humanities, IIT, Jodhpur

Chair: Dr. Riddhi Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor, Department of History, SCC



Chair for the session: Dr. Riddhi Bhattacharya

Day 3: Speaker: Dr. Mayurakshi Chaudhuri, Associate Professor of Sociology and Digital Humanities, FLAME University, Pune

Chair: Dr. Shrimoyee Guha Thakurta, Associate Professor, Department of History, SCC

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. The main content is a slide titled "The DH Curriculum Tree". The slide features a tree diagram with a trunk labeled "Core Courses: Foundational, Conceptual, Methods". The trunk branches into "YEAR 1" and "YEAR 2". The "YEAR 2" branch further divides into "Digital Analytics" and "Social Media Analytics". Under "Digital Analytics", there are sub-branches for "Digital Archives", "Digital Cultures", "Digital Societies", and "Digital Heritage". Under "Social Media Analytics", there are sub-branches for "Digital Marketing" and "Digital Media/Computational Economics". To the left of the tree, there is a word cloud titled "Input: STEAM fields" containing the words "Physics", "Humanities", "Social Science", and "Mathematics". The Zoom interface includes a top bar with participant names (Shrimoyee Guha Thakurta, Mayurakshi Chaudhuri, Coordinator DH, Mayurakshi Chaudhuri, Natasa Thoudam, Tonisha Guin) and a right-hand panel with a list of participants (7) and attendees (101).

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface with a Slido poll displayed. The poll question is: "Imagine the most important theoretical premise that you would introduce to the students in their first semester of the DH program. What would that be? (Your response could be a word, a phrase, or name of a course)". The poll has 3 participants typing. The Slido interface shows a QR code, the poll question, and a list of responses including "Digital Literature", "Digital Literacy", "Algorithmic Thinking", "Building a Project", "Intersection of literature & position of women", "Introduction to Digital Humanities", "Concept of culture", "How to do DH", "The next about DH", "Distant reading", "Concept of human", "Everyday digital practices", "Introduction to DH", "Reference", "Artificial intelligence", and "Algorithmic thinking". The Zoom interface includes a top bar with participant names and a right-hand panel with a list of participants (7) and attendees (103).

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface with a video feed of Dr. Mayurakshi Chaudhuri. She is smiling and waving her right hand. The Zoom interface includes a top bar with participant names (Coordinator DH, Mayurakshi Chaudhuri, Natasa Thoudam, Varsha Roy) and a right-hand panel with a list of participants (7) and attendees (103). The video feed is the central focus, showing Dr. Chaudhuri from the chest up.

Day 4: Speaker: Dr. Shanmugapriya T., Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Toronto, Canada

Chair: Dr. Tonisha Guin, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Affiliated Faculty, IDRP of Digital Humanities, IIT, Jodhpur

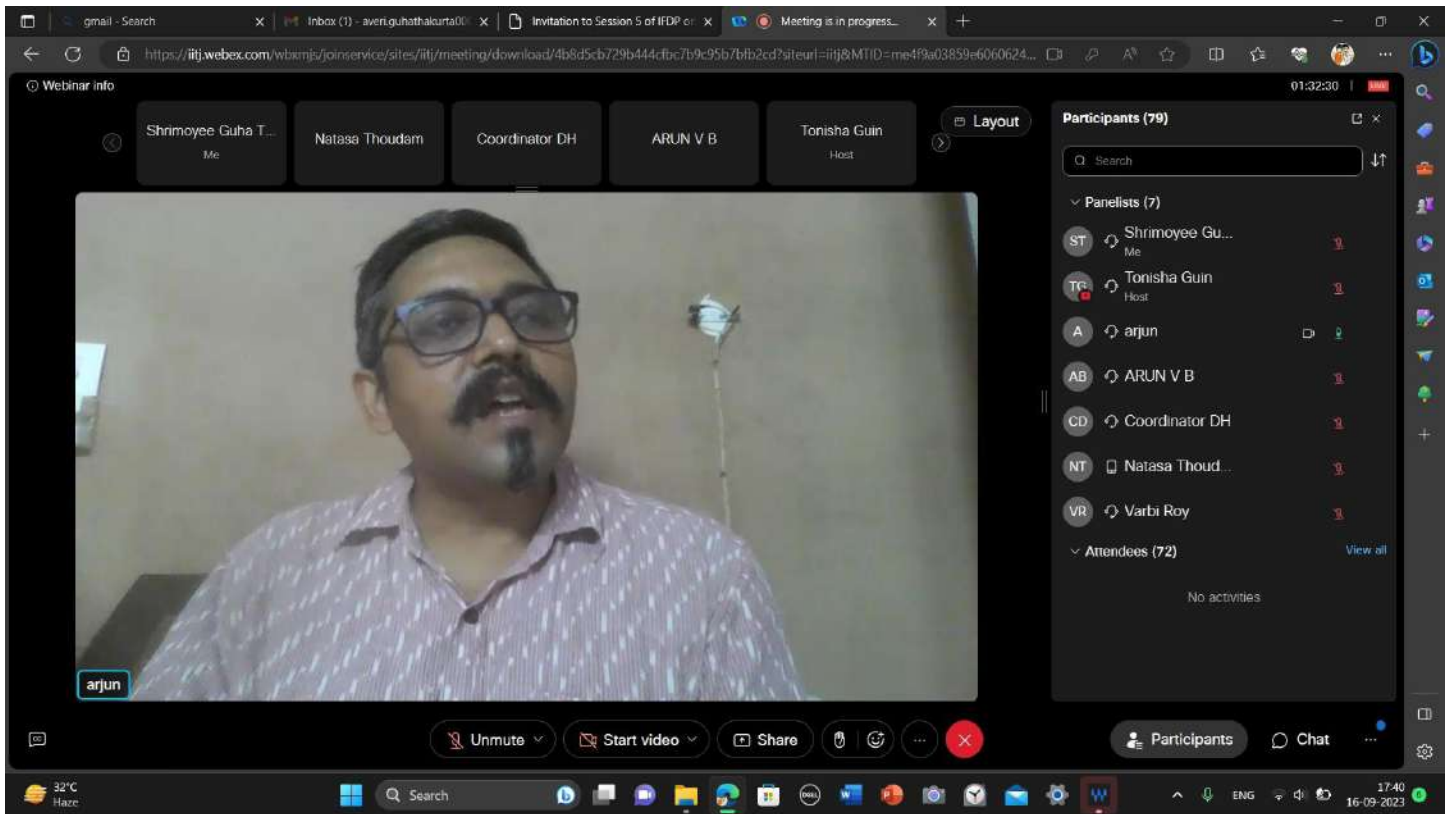
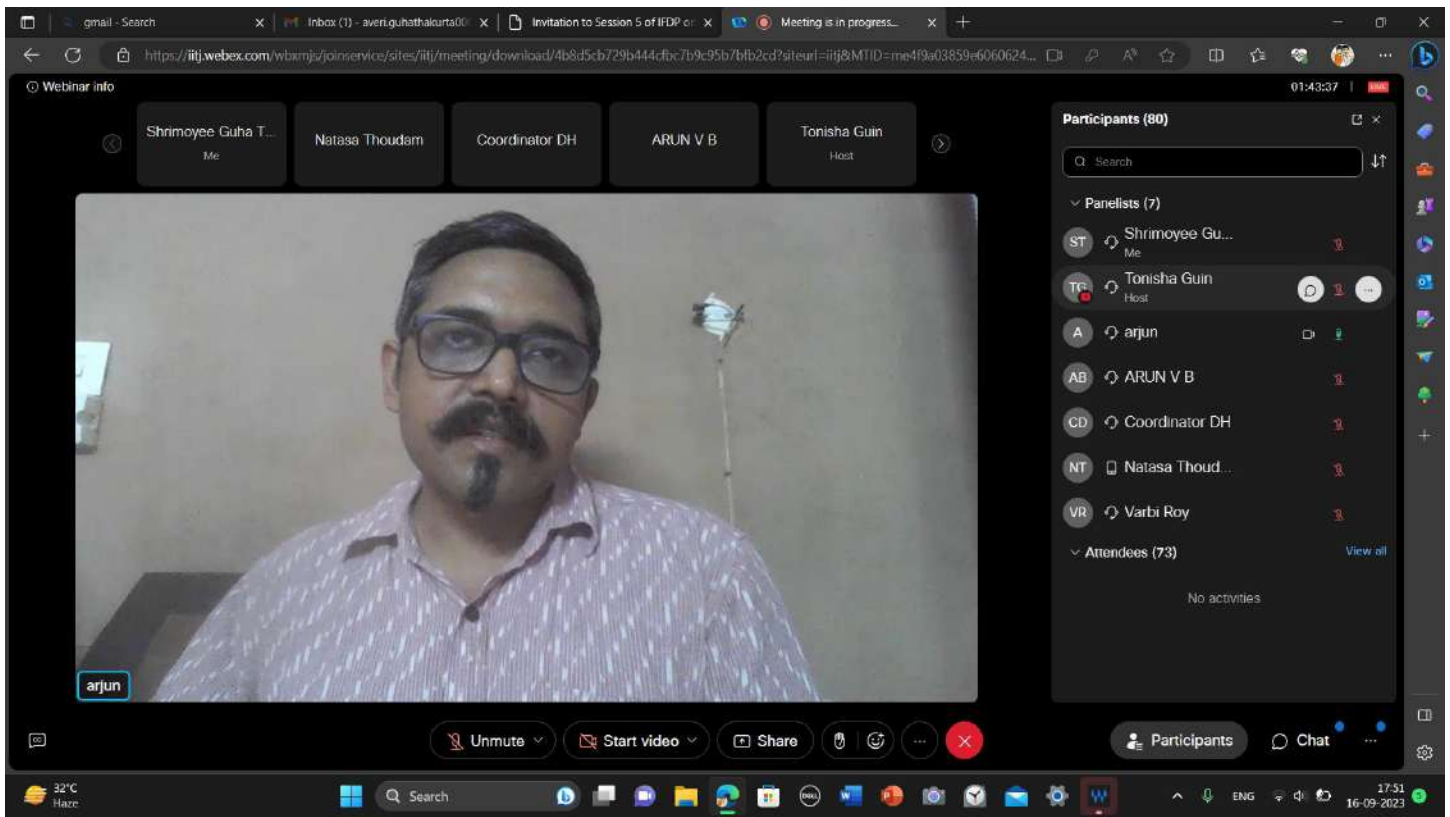
This screenshot shows a Zoom webinar in progress. The main window displays a presentation slide featuring a large, colorful circular diagram composed of many small circles in various colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple). Below the diagram, the text "Shanmugapriya et al. 2022" is visible. The Zoom interface includes a top bar with "Webinar info" and a list of participants: Shrimoyee Guha T... (Me), Dr. Monalisa Basu, Riddhi, and Natasa Thoudam. A "Participants (80)" sidebar on the right lists panelists (Shrimoyee Guha T..., Tonisha Guin (Host), Shanmugapriya, Dr. Monalisa B..., Natasa Thoud..., Riddhi, Varbi Roy) and attendees (73). The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with the date 09-09-2023 and time 17:58.

This screenshot shows the same Zoom webinar, but now with a video feed of a speaker. The speaker is a woman with dark hair and glasses, wearing a light-colored top, identified as "Shanmugapriya" in the bottom left corner of the video frame. The Zoom interface is similar to the previous screenshot, with the "Participants (83)" sidebar on the right listing panelists (Shrimoyee Guha T..., Tonisha Guin (Host), Shanmugapriya, Dr. Monalisa B..., Natasa Thoud..., Riddhi, Sabeela Rash..., Srabani Biswas, Varbi Roy) and attendees (74). The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with the date 09-09-2023 and time 18:17.



Day 5: Speaker: Dr. Arjun Ghosh, Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Delhi

Chair: Dr. Parichay Patra, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, Coordinator of the Digital Humanities Interdisciplinary Research Platform, IIT, Jodhpur





## Valedictory Session (16.9.2023)

A screenshot of a Zoom meeting interface. The main video window shows Dr. Supratim Das, a man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a blue striped shirt. He is speaking. The name 'SUPRATIM DAS' is visible in a blue box at the bottom left of his video. Above the main video, there is a row of five smaller video thumbnails showing other participants. To the right of the main video is a chat window with a dark background. The chat shows several messages of appreciation from participants. At the bottom of the Zoom window, there are controls for 'Unmute', 'Stop video', 'Share', and 'Participants'. The system tray at the bottom shows the time as 18:56 on 16-09-2023.

Chat

from Varbi Roy to Everyone 18:44  
Today's feedback Link  
<https://forms.gle/AkuBNDYFDP9NWxD9>

from Chaitanya G to All panelists 18:50  
Yes ma'am

from Neda Parvin Shaikh to Everyone 18:53  
Huge thanks to the organisers for bringing us this much needed FDP and for making it so accessible and pertinent. Yours efforts are highly appreciated 🙏

from Chaitanya G to All panelists 18:54  
Thanks to the team. All the sessions were truly insightful.

from Madhurima Mukhopadhyay to Everyone 18:55  
Thank you very much to both the organisations for organising such a wonderful FDP. I have been immensely enriched with basic knowledge on DH but this leaves me eager to learn and read more. So I would look forward to more such opportunities to participate and share my views and questions in future. Thanks again!

Send to: Everyone

Type your message here

Participants Chat

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Haze

18:56  
16-09-2023

Dr. Supratim Das, Vice Principal, SCC put forward his concluding remarks

A screenshot of a Zoom meeting interface. The main video window shows Dr. Parichay Patra, a man with dark hair, wearing a blue patterned shirt. He is speaking. The name 'Coordinator DH' is visible in a blue box at the bottom left of his video. Above the main video, there is a row of five smaller video thumbnails showing other participants. To the right of the main video is a chat window with a dark background. The chat shows several messages of appreciation from participants. At the bottom of the Zoom window, there are controls for 'Unmute', 'Stop video', 'Share', and 'Participants'. The system tray at the bottom shows the time as 19:07 on 16-09-2023.

Chat

successfully giving me so much information and insights.

from MOUMITA BALA to Everyone 18:59  
A heartfelt gratitude goes out to the dedicated organizing committee. All the sessions were very enlightening. Thanks a lot for making this IFDP a grand success.

from VALLIS to Everyone 19:00  
Thank you so much sir

from Dr Preeti Joshi to All panelists 19:00  
THANK YOU!

from Sanjib Kumar Sahu to Everyone 19:01  
thank you all

from Bisma Shameem to Everyone 19:01  
thank you

from Anwesha Halidar to Everyone 19:02  
thank you organisers for introducing me to the different aspects to digital humanities

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Type your message here

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Dr. Parichay Patra, Coordinator, Digital Humanities, IIT Jodhpur summed up the five day proceedings



Dr. Samrat Bhattacharjee, Coordinator, IQAC, SCC delivering the Vote of Thanks

### **Links to the sessions:**

Day 1: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1v4zhX9VzynaGJ0BCbwhpz5ITTRKFypEA/view>

Day 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M-6fJxRxTxE>

Day 3: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lalrEJEtZYs>

Day 4: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iEND9PROd2Y>

Day 5: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-rPrHJbnrs>

### **The Coordinators:**



Dr. Shrimoyee Guha Thakurta



Dr. Varbi Roy



Dr. Tonisha Guin