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ICBE

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on the Built Environment

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**International
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The Jindal School of Art and Architecture (JSAA) at O. P. Jindal Global University announces the first ever Undergraduate Student Research Conference on the Built Environment (UGRC 2021). Imagined as an annual event, the JSAA Undergraduate Research Conference, aims to foster and nurture a research-oriented ecology of critical thinking, and creation of a peer interaction network, among undergraduate students of the built environment across various disciplines. We see this conference as providing you a platform for articulating and presenting your research through an academic paper or poster. Given the inter/ transdisciplinary nature of research on questions touching on the built environment, the UGRC 2021 Team invites students of architecture, history, political science, psychology, urban design, urban planning, sociology, anthropology, geography, art, environmental studies, and others, to come together and exchange ideas regarding the built environment through the medium of this conference.



Call for Papers / Posters

We welcome papers / posters from all undergraduate students who want to engage with interconnections of the Built Environment to questions of:

1. Theory – Architectural History, Questions of Architectural Practice
2. Gender – Gendered Spaces, Territoriality, Sexuality, Bio-politics
3. Nature & Environment - Ecology, Man-Animal Conflicts
4. Society & Culture – Social Theory, Modernity, Post-Humanism
5. Making – Building, Crafting, Doing, In-Situ, Thingness
6. Mobility – Transit & Transportation, Migration, Tourism
7. Public health – Medical care, Healthy environment, Services
8. Safety – Actual and Perceived street crime, Traffic Accidents, Social & Environmental Psychology
9. Heritage – Identity, Conservation, Adaptive Reuse
10. Technology – Materials, Structures, Systems
11. Sustainability – Ecosystems, Climate Change, Energy Efficiency
12. Policy – Legality, Bylaws, Building Regulations, Acts & Rules
13. Representation – Social Narratives, Religion, Class & Caste
14. Media – Visual Culture, Sound, Senses & Sensoriality
15. Community – Collective, Public Participation, Civil Society
16. Ownership – Land & Property, Belongingness, Act of Settling
17. Labour – Construction Industry, Design Labour, Migration Trend
18. Artifacts - Monuments, Furniture, Objects, Interiors, Symbolism
19. Everyday practice – Informality, Othering, On Street Lives

This list is not meant to limit you. Your presentation can be framed within any sphere of enquiry, as long as it is relevant to the built environment.



Guidelines for Paper / Poster Submission

1. All submissions must be original works. Papers must not be plagiarized from existing scholarship or other online resources.
2. Papers should not be more than 3000 words, excluding the name of the paper, abstract, end notes and bibliography. Posters should be composed in an A1 sheet, with a resolution of 150 dpi.
3. Submissions should cite all resources and existing research scholarship properly. Please use Chicago / MLA style referencing for all forms of citation.
4. Papers / Posters can be premised on any of the topics / areas mentioned earlier. However, they need not be limited to these only. Trans-disciplinary research and papers are especially welcome.
5. All queries and submissions should be emailed to ***ugrc2021.jsaa@jgu.edu.in*** and ***sbanerjea@jgu.edu.in*** within the extended submission deadline - 15th July 2021, in order to be considered for review and acceptance.
6. Do not mention your name, college or any other identifiable information on your paper / poster submissions. Only mention your name and college / university in the body of your mail. Please format your paper / poster submissions in .pdf and .docx file formats only.
7. In-progress research such as seminar papers, end term papers, and undergraduate dissertations, are also welcome, as long as they fulfill the submission guidelines.



Dates to Remember

1. Extended Date for Submission of Papers / Posters - **15th July 2021**
2. Letters of Acceptance - **10th August 2021**
3. Date for Submission of Reworked Papers - **10th September 2021**
4. Last Date for Registration for Participation - **31st August 2021**
5. Conference Dates (online/offline) - **17th to 19th September 2021**

Due to the nature of the pandemic currently, which poses severe threat to travel, **the ICBE - JSAA 2021 conference committee has decided to move ahead with a Hybrid format for the conference** as opposed to presenting papers physically. The conference will allow presenters to attend the conference digitally and remotely from their location of convenience while those who might deem it suitable can attend the event physically on campus, only if the institution is permitted to reopen.



Keynote Speakers



Prof. Hilal Ahmed

Hilal Ahmed is an associate professor at Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS). He primarily works on political Islam, Muslim modernities / representation, and politics of symbols in South Asia. His first book ***Muslim Political Discourse in Postcolonial India: Monuments, Memory, Contestation***, explores these thematic concerns to evolve an interdisciplinary approach to study Muslim politics.



Thomas Crowley

Thomas Crowley is a Ph.D candidate at the Rutgers School of Arts & Sciences, Department of Geography. His extensive research on the Delhi Ridge and its political economy / ecology presents newer arguments on the present urban history of Delhi. His book ***Fractured Forest, Quartzite City: A History of Delhi and its Ridge***, is based on this research he conducted in India's capital from 2010-2017.



Key Points for Participation

1. ICBE 2021 is being organized by the Jindal School of Art & Architecture, at the Sonipat campus of O. P. Jindal Global University. The conference is now open for **online paper presentations** as well, for those who are distantly located.
2. The Jindal School of Art & Architecture will arrange for lodging and boarding within the university campus from **September 17 to 19, 2021**, for all those presenters whose papers or posters have been accepted for presentation at ICBE 2021 and are willing to engage physically at the conference.
3. Participants and presenters from the Delhi NCR area will have to arrange and pay for their own travel.
4. Outstation presenters can apply for limited travel reimbursement grants from the Jindal School of Art & Architecture.
5. The conference proceedings will be made available online on the JSAA website.
6. Registration for participation in ICBE 2021 must be done online by the **31st August, 2021**, in order to be considered for lodging, boarding arrangements as well as presenting at the conference.



Reviewing Panel for the Conference

All papers will go through a blind peer review process. The review panel will comprise of people with expertise in built environment studies. The reviewers will assess each paper and shortlist the final papers that will be presented at the conference in September 2021. The reviewer comments and suggestions for amendments / improvements for each accepted paper/poster will be sent along with the acceptance letters, by 10th August 2021. Accepted papers/posters must be revised as required by reviewer comments, and resubmitted by 10th September 2021.

For any Additional Information or queries,

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