



THE BHAWANIPUR EDUCATION SOCIETY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT: HISTORY

FACULTY ACADEMIC PROFILE / CV

**Full Name of the Faculty Member:** Dr Devina Gupta

**Designation:** College Whole Time Teacher

**Specialization:** Modern Indian History



## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr Devina Gupta is currently College Whole Time Teacher in the Department of History of the Bhawanipur Education Society College, Kolkata. She was previously teaching as Assistant Professor at Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, Hyderabad and UGC Senior Research Fellow at Jadavpur University, Kolkata. She completed her PhD (History) from Jadavpur University in 2022 with her thesis titled "The Municipal Markets in Calcutta (1876-1947): Native Negotiations and Colonial Translation of a Metropolitan Model." She directs her passion for teaching and research to make a meaningful impact

in the academic field through delivering lectures, facilitating discussions, presenting papers, publishing research, developing curricula, and organizing seminars and talks featuring eminent speakers.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION PROFILE		
Year	Degree and University/Board/Institution	Class (Div.) & Percentage
2022	PhD History, Jadavpur University, Kolkata	NA
2014	PhD Course Work, Jadavpur University, Kolkata	Grade A, 67%
2014	UGC NET (History) Lectureship & JRF	NA
2011	MA History, Jadavpur University, Kolkata	1 <sup>st</sup> Division, 69.89%
2009	BA History (Hons.), Lady Shri Ram College for Women, New Delhi, Delhi University	1 <sup>st</sup> Division, 63.18%
2006	ISC, Welham Girls School, Dehradun	1 <sup>st</sup> Division, 89.25%
2004	WB Board of Secondary Education, Modern High School for Girls, Kolkata	1 <sup>st</sup> Division, 80.37%

## POSITION HOLDING (FULL TIME)

College Whole Time Teacher, **Department of History, The Bhawanipur Education Society College, University of Calcutta**, February 2025 – Present

## POSITION HOLDING (PART TIME)

College Part Time Teacher, **Department of History, The Bhawanipur Education Society College, University of Calcutta**, April 2024 – January 2025

## SUBJECTS TAUGHT

Colonialism and Nationalism in India | Women in Indian History | Ancient India | Gender and Education in India | Humans and their World | Humans, Humanity, Humanities | Political History of Modern Europe, 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> centuries| National Liberation Movements in 20<sup>th</sup> century World | Indian Archaeology| Social History of Modern India| The Transformation in Europe: Mind, Body and Society (1350-1650)| History of the 20<sup>th</sup> c World: Global Capitalism & its Contestations| Life & Thought in 20<sup>th</sup> c Bengal

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Gender Studies | Social History | Urban Studies | Culture Studies | South Asian History | Art History

## CERTIFICATIONS

- Completed UGC Approved Short Term Professional Development Program for University and College Teachers on 'Implementation of NEP 2020' (2022)
- Completed course "Contemporary Culture Studies" led by Prof John Hutnyk (National Chiao Tung University of Taiwan) under the Global Initiative of Academic Networks, HRD Ministry, GOI organised at Jadavpur University, Kolkata (2016)
- Qualified DELE A1 Spanish Language examination conducted by Instituto Cervantes Madrid, Government of Spain (2015)
- Completed UGC Certificate Course in Radio Production conducted by the School of Media, Communication and Culture, Jadavpur University (2011)

## PAPER PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

- **Awarded the Second Best Paper** at the ICSSR International Seminar, in collaboration with the Indian Communication Congress, on "*Bharatvarshiya Communication Tradition: From the Prehistoric Ages to the New Millennium,*" held on 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at the Bhawanipur Education Society College, Kolkata. My research paper was titled: *The Asokan Edicts: An Early Form of Mass Communication in the Mauryan Empire.*
- Presented a panelist paper *Revisiting 1984: The Enduring Significance of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy in Indian Cinema* at the '1984: A Symposium of Arts, Histories and Politics' organized by York St John University, UK on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- Presented panel paper titled *Governmentality and Biopolitics: Gender, Sexuality and the Indian State* in the 'World Congress Foucault Forty Years After: Foucault and Post Governmentalities in South Asia' organized by Institute for Language Studies and Research and Post Colonial Studies Association of the Global South between 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024

- Presented paper titled *Gandhi's Representation in 21<sup>st</sup> century Indian Cinema*, at the International Conference 'Mapping Gandhi in Different Cultures Across the Globe' organized by Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- Presented paper titled *Digitalised Chutney and Curry: Gender, Patriarchy and Indian American Food Blogs, 2017-2023* in the International Conference on 'Indian Diaspora Women and Patriarchy: Questions on Inclusion, Cultural Identity and Violence' organized by the University of Hyderabad between 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023
- Presented paper titled *Coffee Plantations and Coffee Cups: Class Formations in the Madras Presidency* in the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual session of the South Indian History Congress, held at University College, Trivandrum, Kerala between 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Presented paper *Making Sense of Gandhi's Ahimsa as a Social and Political Philosophy* in a panel discussion 'Gandhi in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century' organized by Gandhi Institute of Technology & Management, GSHS, Hyderabad on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Presented paper titled *Reproducing Bangalians: Social Media and the Transformation of the Bengali Diaspora in USA, 2017-2021* in the International Interdisciplinary Series of Conferences on the 'Global Indian Diasporas: Literary, Cultural and Socio-Economic Perspectives in the 21<sup>st</sup> century,' organized by the Central University of Gujarat, February 2023
- Presented paper titled *Spatial and Trans-Cultural History of Municipal Marketplaces in 20<sup>th</sup> Century Calcutta* at the Graduate Research Meet 2018 on 'Emerging Trends in Humanities and Social Sciences' organized by Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati.

## PUBLICATIONS

- "Indian Knowledge Traditions and Educational Institutions: Historical Roots and Contemporary Relevance." In *Colloquium*, Journal of the Arts Section, The Bhawanipur Education Society College, Kolkata, Special Issue, 2024, Vols IX & X Traditional Indian Knowledge Systems: Contemporary Relevance and Prospects (ISSN 2350-1251)
- "Colonial Spatial Plans and Indigenous Socio-Spatial Practices: The Question of Encroachments in the Municipal Markets of Calcutta in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century" in the *Journal of History*, Vol. 32, (2017-2018), pp 105-131. (ISSN Print Edition 0976-5476).
- "The 'Private' in the 'Public': Women in Market Spaces of Calcutta in late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries" in the edited volume titled *Addressing Gender: Different Perspectives*. Readers Service, 2017, pp 55-64. (ISBN 978-93-82623-80-9)

## AWARDS/RECOGNITION

- Awarded the Charles Wallace India Trust Short Professional and Research Visits Fellowship for conducting research in libraries and archives in London (2018)
- Recognised with the first prize in a poster presentation titled “Superfoods and Microbiomes” at the Eat Well-Live Well Symposium organised by the Dept of Food Science and Technology, GITAM, Hyderabad (2022)
- Awarded the Shri Ram Prize for Best-All-Rounder Student in Lady Shri Ram College for Women, New Delhi (2009)
- Recognised with prizes in Inter-College Dramatics and Music Competitions (Delhi University Colleges, BITS Pilani, IIT Kanpur, 2009)
- Rajya Puruskar Guide Award, The Bharat Scouts and Guides (2003)

## Other Activities

- Organized a talk on ‘Current Trends of Architectural Preservation and Conservation in the World Today’ by Architect Partha Ranjan Das (West Bengal Heritage Commission) (July 2024) at the Bhawanipur Education Society College, Kolkata
- Reviewer for Lady Shri Ram College for Women, New Delhi, Dept of History Journal *Ijtihad* (Vol X, 2024)
- Member of the Syllabus Review Committee responsible for designing the new syllabus for all papers in BA History (Hons) and BA History (Research) programs at GITAM (2023-2024)
- Master of Ceremony (MC) for GITAM (HYD) Convocation 2022, GITAM (HYD) Convocation 2023, GITAM Freshman Induction Program 2023, Women’s Day 2023

## VISION STATEMENT

- Deliver engaging lectures and facilitating classroom discussions to enable students to think critically, speak confidently and write persuasively.
- Empowering students to become informed, empathetic, and active participants in their communities, capable of using their historical knowledge to contribute to a more just and understanding society

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Signature of the Faculty Member

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Feb, 2025