



Osmania University Centre for International Programmes(OUCIP)

Three Day International Conference(online/ offline)

On

“Major Themes and Concerns in African -American writings: A Reassessment”

25- 27thAugust 2021



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Concept Note:

The Osmania University Centre for International Programmes (OUCIP), Hyderabad, India is organizing a Three Day International Conference on "Major Themes and Concerns in African - American writings : A Reassessment " from 25th – 27th August 2021. The proposed International Conference will focus on major writings of African –American literature from the world war times to the current generation. and how legacy was continued by Post-Second World War novelists such as Saul Below, John Updike, Norman Mailer, J. D. Salinger, Nabokov, Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Ralph Ellison and later by Don DeLillo, Tony Morrison, Robert Stone, Thomas Berger and others.

African- American literature has a unique place and occupying the front position among the world literatures right from the beginning. Social movements of the 1960s caused a spurt in the African-American literature. With such movements as Women's liberation and Civil Rights movement, ethnicity, multiplicity, diversity and hybridity characterized the American psyche under the rubric of liberalism and postmodernism. All this loosened the conservative American society and opened up the closed American mind to other cultures, races and religions both within and outside America. The Jewish American writers added incredible aesthetic vigor and artistic variety to the ethnic American literatures. The growing glory of American literature will go only halfway without the Native American literature. At the same time the Asian American women writers such as Bharathi Mukherjee, Jhumpa Lahiri, Bapsy Sidwa, Shriely Lim, Maxine Hong Kingston multi-colored canvass of the African-American literature.

In this backdrop, The proposed conference will offer a prominent platform to bring together scholars, academics, experts, writers and critics in the domain of African- American as well as related multi-disciplinary areas to discuss and deliberate on issues and concerns in numerous areas central to the human predicament. Hope the conference will contribute new research topics to the aspiring research scholars as there is greater need to examine the major African- American writings from a fresh perspective.

Sub Themes:

- Major writings of African-American literature
- Ethnicity and Identity
- Black Aesthetics
- African American Writings.
- The Black Power Movement.
- Black Aesthetics
- African American Spirituals
- African-American women writings
- Civil Rights
- Slavery
- Black upsurge



Note: Abstracts/ full papers will be accepted only in soft copy via email to oucipinc2021@gmail.com

About Osmania University:

Osmania University, the beacon light of higher education and a centre of academic excellence, was established in the year 1917. Founded by His Exalted Highness Mir osman Ali Khan, Asaf Jah VII, the Nizam of Hyderabad, it takes pride in being the seventh oldest university in the country, the third oldest in South India and the oldest in the state of Telangana. Osmania University is the largest affiliating University in Asia with around 721 affiliated colleges spread

over three districts of Telangana (Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy and Medak) catering to the educational needs of nearly 3.2 lakhs students. It was accredited with a 'FIVE STAR' in 2001; reaccredited with 'A' in 2008; and with 'A+' grade in 2017 by the NAAC. It has been ranked 23rd among Universities in the National Institutional Ranking Framework for 2017. It has figured among the "Top 300 BRICS and Emerging Economics 2017". With a sprawling campus on hundreds of acres towards the east of the historic city of Hyderabad, Osmania University is a multi-faculty and multi-locational university, offering a comprehensive education system with over 66 academic disciplines and 52 departments spread over eight campus colleges, five constituent colleges and five district PG colleges. The university has expanded right from the day of its inception and has contributed to knowledge generation, dissemination in all academic disciplines including science and technology.

About OUCIP:

Osmania University Centre for International Programmes (OUCIP) came into existence in September 2006 after the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, handed over the management and administration of the American Studies Research Center (ASRC) to Osmania University. It is housed in the building complex of the ASRC and has inherited its academic and infrastructural strengths. However, OUCIP has broadened its scope and added new fields of study from humanities and social studies to American Studies. OUCIP was thus conceived to complement the special status of the City in which it is located while retaining its strength in the disciplines of American Studies and International Relations acquired over four decades. The Mission of Osmania University Centre for International Programmes is to provide an international face to Osmania University by creating a space for an intellectual engagement with the larger community of scholars, intellectuals within the University, and also the wider community of citizens outside the academia. With the objective of promoting interaction among the university, colleges, research institutions, policy-making bodies, business associations from India and abroad the Centre aims to encourage the pursuit of new knowledge and its dissemination, application and use within and outside the academia to reduce human misery and to promote international understanding.

Accommodation:

Accommodation will be provided only to those delegates who will register by **10th August 2021**. Kindly avoid last-minute pressure in the interest of all the concerned. Outstation participants are requested to take care of their air/ train/bus transport on their own as per the COVID-19 instructions by the central and state governments.

Note: DD's drawn in favour of 'The Director, OUCIP'.

Registration Fees Particulars	on/before 15th July 2021	Spot registration
Registration for Participation (online/offline) (without accommodation)	500	700
Paper Presenters (online/offline) (without accommodation)	2500	3000
Research Scholars (online/offline) (without accommodation)	1500	2000
Out Station Delegates (As per COVID-19 instructions) (with accommodation)	5000	5500
International Scholars/Delegates	\$300	

- Organizers are not responsible for the private arrangements made by the delegates.
- In case of Joint papers, individual registration is mandatory.

- In case of research scholars, zerox of the identity card of the current year has to be attached at the time of registration.
- **Covid precautions are mandatory.**

Mode of Payment:

All the participants should send emails to oucipinc2021@gmail.com along with print form of registration duly signed along with DD. DD's drawn in favor of 'The Director, OUCIP'

Kindly note that we are not in a position to assist with the conference travel or subsistence.

Participants are requested to approach their institutions for travel grant and conference fee.

Guidelines for Research Papers:

The requirements for the paper presentation session are as follows:

- Research papers will be accepted in M.S. Word only, typed in Times New Roman, 12 font for regular text and 14 font for titles with double spacing.
- Paper presentations will be online and offline mode as per the covid instructions by the central and state governments.
- The maximum word limit of paper will be 3000 words, including abstract in 200 words. Abstract followed by keywords is essential. Latest MLA style sheet to be used for all citations in literature papers.
- Authors may put their names only at the right margin of the page below the main title and short biographical note with email and contact number at the end of the paper.
- **Research papers without registration fees will not be accepted.**
- Abstracts/Research papers will be accepted only in soft copy via email to oucipinc2021@gmail.com
- Kindly mention the Broad area and the sub-theme (Mandatory) .

Important Dates:

1. Last date for submission of Abstract: **30th June 2021**
2. Abstract confirmation: **5th July 2021**
3. Submission of Full Paper: **15th July 2021**

Publication: Selected Papers will be brought out as a volume of essays with an ISBN publication.

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Registration Form

1. Name in Block Letters:
2. Designation:
3. Address with PIN Code and **E-mail:**
(Entire correspondence will be through e-mail)
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Office :
Residence :
5. Demand draft No. Amount Date: Bank:
6. Category Delegate/presenter
Research Scholar Accompanying person
(Research Scholars are requested to submit ID card from the University as a proof.)
7. Payable at (Name of the bank)
8. I am interested in contributing the paper YES / NO
If yes, send the abstract to oucipinc2019@gmail.com by clearly mentioning the Sub Theme.
9. Title of the paper
10. Sub Theme (mandatory)
11. I am interested in reserving accommodation YES / NO
If yes, mail a request letter to oucipreservations@gmail.com
12. I am accompanied by family and need food and YES / NO
Accommodation on payment basis
If Yes, each person Rs. 5000/-
Mention payment particulars: Cash/ DD/Cheque No: Dt: Bank:
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- Research Scholars should submit Bonafide Certificate either signed by HoD/ CBOS or Supervisor along with the registration form.

Date

Place

Signature of the Participant

