

Faculty Details proforma for DU Web-site

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Designation	Assistant Professor				
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Educational Qualifications					
Degree	Institution				Year
BA Hons Journalism	University of Delhi			1993	
M A Philosophy	University of Delhi				1996
M Phil Philosophy	University of Delhi				1999
Phd Philosophy	University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA				2012
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Career Profile

Assistant Professor (ad-hoc): St. Stephen's College, 2012-2014, Philosophy Department Assistant Professor: Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, 2nd January, 2015 onwards

Administrative Assignments

None

Areas of Interest / Specialization

 $Philosophy\ of\ Language,\ Linguistics\ and\ Philosophy\ (Specialization)$

Analytic Philosophy, History of Western Philosophy, Logic, Modality, Metaphilosophy (Areas of Interest)

Subjects Taught

MPhil Courses

Topics in Modality (2015-16)

Topics in Semantics (2016-17)

Indexicals (2017-18)

Reasons, Causes, Grounds (2018-19)

Know How (2019-20)

Laws of Nature (2020-21)

Themes from Plato (2021-22)

Propositions (2021-22)

Themes from Frege (2022-23)

MA courses

Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science

Epistemology, History of Western Philosophy

Analytic Philosophy, Formal Logic

Greek Philosophy, On Conditionals Virtue Epistemology, Language to Mind, Interdisciplinary Course in Philosophy of Literature

Research Guidance

M Phil Dissertations (Awarded)

Mr. Rohit Matthew: Modal Epistemology: A study of the Counterfactual Based Account

Ms. Ankita: Shifted Reference: Semantic Solutions Mr. Akshat Jaiman: The Problem of De Se Attitudes

Akshita Tripathi: Exploring Relationism

Tarun Thapar: Is there a problem with Self Grounding? Wilson Samuel: An acquaintance based account of Know How

PhD Awarded:

Manhal Hamdo: The nature and epistemic role of intuitions (2021)

Rohit Mathew: The Knowledge of Essence (2022) Suprotik Chakrabarti: Examining Luminosity (2023)

Current Phd Students:

Kolyaani Gupta

Tarun Thapar

Wilson Samuel

Current MPhil Student:

Ms. Mansi Rana

Publications Profile

- 1) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2023). Putnam and Truth. *Journal of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research* 39 (3):223-235.
- 2) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2022). Ethical Engagements A review of Shashi Motilal, Keya Maitra and Prakriti Prajapati's The Ethics of Governance: The Moral Limits of Policy Decisions (Springer, 2021), In *Ethics, Economics and Common Goods*, No. 19(1): 113-116, January to June-2022.
- 3) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2021/2022). The Distinctive Value of Explanation. *Gauhati University Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 6, pp. 23-40
- 4) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2021). A would be emperor too good to be true. Review of *The Emperor Who Never Was*. Los Angeles Review of Books, https://www.lareviewofbooks.org/article/a-would-be-emperor-too-good-to-be-true
- 5) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2020). Organizing, Fitting, Predicting. *Journal of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research* 38 (1):39-52.
- 6) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2020). The Other Buddha: Review of *Two Buddhas Seated Side by Side*. Los Angeles Review of Books, https://lareviewofbooks.org/article/the-other-buddha-on-two-buddhas-seated-side-by-side-a-guide-to-the-lotus-sutra/, January 26, 2020
- 7) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2019). Socrates' Image of Recollection in the *Meno. Gauhati University Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 4, pp. 103-114
- 8) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2019. Norms of Foundations. *Prabuddha Bharat*, Vol. 124, August 2019 (pp. 587-596)and September 2019 (pp. 656-666)
- 9) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2018). Priority Monism and Logical Atomism. *Gauhati University Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 3, 23-38.
- 10) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2018). Book Review: Reflections on Human Inquiry. *Gauhati University Journal of Philosophy*, Vol. 3, 157-164

- 11) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2018). Mind talk. *Interactions*, Vol. 1, Qtr. 3, Online: https://lilainteractions.in/mind-talk-the-confluence-of-thought-and-action/
- 12) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2018) Review of Amitav Ghosh's *The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable*, in iamrenew.com (https://www.iamrenew.com/book-review/books-amitav-ghoshs-great-derangement/)
- 13) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2017). "The Uprising," in *The Sunflower Collective*, September 17th, 2017 (Online Literary Journal)
- 14) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2017). "Barbed Wire," in *The Sunflower Collective*, August 17th, 2017. (Online Literary Journal)
- 15) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2016). "On the Quantified Account of Complex Demonstratives," Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research, 33(3), 451-463, 2016 (**DOI** 10.1007/s40961-016-0068-4)
- 16) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2016). "Converting Umar Khalid to Islam," thewire.in, Feb 24, 2016.
- 17) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2015). "Early Modern Philosophy of Language," UGC E-Pathshala, Philosophy of Language Module, 2015
- 18) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2013). "Defining Equality," invited book chapter in *Understanding Ethics*, (Eds.) Pragati Sahni and V. Chaturvedi, MacMillan, New Delhi, India, 2013.
- 19) Bhowmick, Nilanjan. (2012). "Berth 31," in *Bitter Oleander*, New York, Lafayette, Autumn 2012
- 20) Bhowmick, Nilanjan (2012). Demonstration and Quantification, LAP,

Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

- 1) Bhowmick, N. (2023, 8th Feb) Thinking Philosophically. Talk at Kamla Nehru College
- 2) Bhowmick, N. (2023, 1st Feb). Knowledge, Ability and Testimony. Talk at Lakshmi Bai College, ICPR Periodic Lecture
- 3) Bhowmick, M. (2023, 19th January). The Place of Consciousness in Nature". Talk at Refresher Course held by JNU, HRDC
- 4) Bhowmick, N (2023, 12th and 13th January). Wittgenstein on Inference and Wittgenstein on Tautologies and Contradictions, Talks at Winter School on Wittgenstein, IIT Bombay
- 5) Bhowmick, N (2022, September 23). Thoughts, Names and Words. Talk at University of Delhi, Faculty of Arts, Department of Philosophy (In Memoriam: Saul Kripke)
- 6) Bhowmick, N. (2022, September 9) What is a theory of mind a theory about?, Talk at Hansraj College, Mimamsa Society
- 7) Bhowmick, N (2022, September 2) Learning Philosophy through non-conventional methods, Talk at Mata Sundri College, Department of Philosophy
- 8) Bhowmick, N (2022, April 30). Logic as Mirror of the World, Online paper presentation at IIT Mumbai/Centenary of TLP.
- 9) Bhowmick, N (2022, March 5) Remnants of the Tractatus,. Online paper presentation at Rabindra Bharati University
- 10) Bhowmick, N (2021, September 27-October 11) The Digital Divide: Causes, Consequences, Concerns, Talk at Refresher Course in Ramanujan College, Technology and Innovation in Today's Education: A Multi-Dimensional Approach
- 11) Bhowmick, N (2021, March 25). Methods and methodologies, Talk in FDP on Philosophical Methodologies in Higher Education: Research and Teaching, Organized

- by Ramanujan College
- 12) Bhowmick, N (2021, March 17-19) The Taking Condition on Inference, Paper presented at ICPR sponsored Three Day National Seminar on Logic: East and West,
- 13) Bhowmick, N (2021, March 13-14). Essence and Necessity, Talk at Two Day National Seminar on *Mind and Reality*, Jadavpur University
- 14) Bhowmick, N (2020, September 30) Persistence and Persons, Paper presented at Ashoka University, Department of Philosophy
- 15) Bhowmick, N (2018, September 24-26). "More on Truth" and "Non-Classical Logic." Resource Person for University of Mumbai Workshop on Logic and Truth. Lectures delivered on the topics
- 16) Bhowmick, N (2018, February 12) Bureaucracy and Ethics, Talk delivered to Class 1 Officers at Indian railway National College
- 17) Bhowmick, N (2017, September 15) Is what they say about *de se* true?, Talk at Faculty of Arts, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi
- 18) Bhowmick, N (2017, July 15) Radio Discussion, Invited by SynTalk (Mumbai, India) as a SynTalkr for #TSAS (The Saying And Showing),
- 19) Bhowmick, N (2017, April 25) Exactitude, Visibility, Multiplicity: Calvino on Writing, Talk/Germanic and Romance Studies, University of Delhi,
- 20) Bhowmick, N (2017, February 17) What are Aesthetic Predicates Relative To?, Talk at "Language of Art" International Conference in North Bengal University, Siliguri, West Bengal
- 21) Bhowmick, N (2017, February 10) The Light and the Quick: Calvino on Writing, Talk/Germanic and Romance Studies, University of Delhi
- 22) Bhowmick, N (2017, January 25) Remarks on the Original Project, Talk/World Philosophy Day/JNU
- 23) Bhowmick, N (2016, November 19) Indexicals and Answering Machines, Talk at Ashoka University, First Undergraduate Conference
- 24) Bhowmick, N (2016, November 8) Finding the Centre, Talk at Daulat Ram College
- 25) Bhowmick, N (2016, April 11-13) Knowing Through Fiction, in Perspectives in Philosophy of Literature, ICPR Seminar, University of Delhi
- 26) Bhowmick, N (2016, February 19) Comments on Jack Woods' paper on Epistemic Normativity, in Conference on Normativity in New York University-Abu Dhabi
- 27) Bhowmick, N (2015, December 22) Prisoner's Dilemma and Pascal's Wager, Talk at Daulat Ram College
- 28) Bhowmick, N (2015, October 15) Making Sense of Reference, Talk at IIT Delhi, Humanities and Social Sciences
- 29) Bhowmick, N (2015, October 3-5) Putnam and Truth, Paper presented at International Seminar on the Philosophy of Hilary Putnam, IIT Bombay
- 30) Bhowmick, N (2014, March 25) Identity and Development, Talk at Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi
- 31) Bhowmick, N (2014, November 12) Deflationism and Epistemology, Paper presented at Jawaharlal Nehru University, Department of Philosophy
- 32) Bhowmick, N (2013, October 19) Underdetermination, Conceptual Schemes and Empiricism, Talk at JNU, Delhi as part of a workshop on "Quine and Davidson on Empiricism" at JNU

Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

None

Awards and Distinctions

Gold Medal, M A Philosophy, 1996

Aetna First Prize, 2012, Graduate Writing in Creative Non-Fiction, University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA

Association With Professional Bodies

APA (2011-12)

Other Activities

- 1) Three lectures delivered on Epistemology in Lady Shri Ram College, 2018.
- 2) Member of Subject Expert Group, for MOOCs, at Consortium for Educational Communication, IUAC Campus, Aruna Asaf Ali Marg, New Delhi 110067.
- 3) Ethics Committee Member for University College of Medical Science, New Delhi

Orientation Programme: 16th April to 15th May, Ramanujan College, 2021 Refresher Course: Research Methodology and Data Analysis: 17th May to 31st May, 2021, Ramanujan College

FDP: Philosophical Methodologies in Higher Education: Research and Teaching, 22nd to 28th March, 2021, Ramanujan College

Nilanjan Bhowmick Signature of Faculty Member

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