Department of Sociology (2020-2021)

The department has conducted various co-curricular activities to instill in our students a critical insight on contemporary social issues. Our focus this year was on sensitizing our students on the various career options. In accordance we have invited our department alumni for a series of lectures pertaining to human relations, entrepreneurship and service sector industry. Besides, eminent academicians and activists were invited to enlighten students on gender issues, personal laws and legal awareness.

9 June 2020 Webinar 'Tough times don't last but tough people do'



A One-Day National Webinar was organised on 9 June 2020 on 'Tough times don't last, tough people do'. Dr. Anuradha Sovani, Psychologist and Psychotherapist Professor and Head, Department of Psychology, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai was invited as the resource person. The webinar highlighted on the importance of stress and emotion management in order to constructively and positively overcome the challenges to survive the pandemic.

4 December 2020 Guest Lecture 'Art therapy through a social lens'



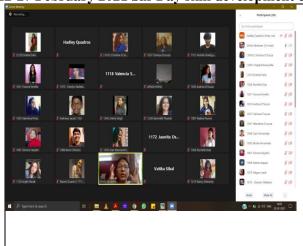
The department organised a One-Day Workshop for the students and faculty on' Art Therapy: Through the Social Lens' on 14 December 2020. Ms. Ashmi Seth, an alumna of St Andrew's College was invited as the resource person. The workshop laid emphasis on the intricacies of Art Therapy and the different professions linked with it. The workshop included activities for the students in order to understand the importance of Art in life and use as a positive approach in life.

28-29 January 2021 Two-Day National Webinar on Crossroad Identity Series- Demystifying Gender Praxis in Literature, Art and Media



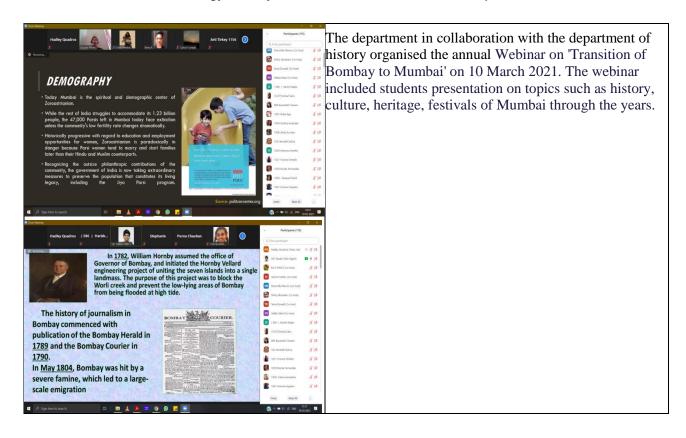
The department organised a Two- Day National; Webinar in collaboration with the College Women Development Cell under the series 'Crossroad Identity' titled 'Demystifying Identity Praxis' on 28 & Demystifying Identity Pr January 2021. The webinar highlighted issues Toxic Masculinity, Gender beyond the binary and Youth at crossroads. Ms. Raynah Braganza was invited as the resource person who stressed upon the problem of Identity Crisis during the pandemic. The webinar also included a panel discussion by Ms. Urmi Jadhav, a transgender activist who spoke about the lives of transgender through the lens of the mainstream society, Ms. Daniel Mendonca, core founder of IHRI (Intersex Human Rights India) who shared her experience on the hegemonic principle on sexuality created by toxic masculinity and Dr. Wilona Annunciation, a practicing psychiatrist and counsellor who addressed the issues of identity crisis created among the youth. The webinar proved to be an eye opener for the participants as it dealt with the social evils of gender inequality and identity crisis through the experiences shared by those who face it in their day-to day lives.

22-27 February 2021 Six-Day skill development course on 'Research Methodology'

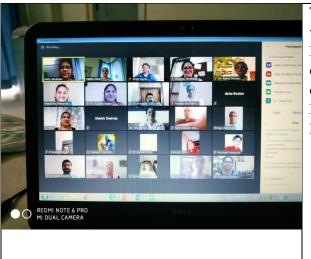


A Six-Day skill development course on 'Research Methodology' was organised for the SYBA students from 22-27 February 2021. The objective of the coursework was to facilitate among the students a scientific temper and an objective approach to undertake research and enrich the domain knowledge The resource person's included faculty from the department, Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar, Librarian, Ms. Ashmi Seth (Alumna) and Mr. Susheel Vargehese who shared their expertise on importance of research. The coursework included hands on experience on topics such as introduction to research, literature review, research design and sampling tools, writing a research proposal and writing the final report. Students on completing the entire coursework were provided with the certificate at the end. The coursework helped the students to get an insight in the field of research and the importance of ethics in conducting research.

10 March 2021- Annual Sociology-History Webinar on 'Transition of Bombay to Mumbai'



28 May 2021- Revised SYBA Syllabus Workshop



The department oragnised a syllabus revision workshop for SYBA Paper II and III (Sem III and Sem IV) was organised by the department for the University of Mumbai for undergraduate teachers, under the aegis of the Board of Studies, Department of Sociology. Dr. Balaji Kendre, Chairperson BOS and Head Department of Sociology, chaired the session.