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Tagore Chair in Humanities

To commemorate the Birth Centenary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda constituted the Tagore Chair in Humanities vide letter no. ADM/3/3133 dated 17th March 1993 and Syndicate Resolution No. 25 dated 16th January 1993.

The first celebration took place in 1961 on the premises of Faculty of Arts.

The committee constituted in 1993 for the Chair consisted of the Vice-Chancellor/Pro-Vice-Chancellor as the Chairperson, Deans of various Faculties relating to Humanities, Professors from Faculty of Arts, and Dean - Faculty of Arts as the **Member Secretary**.

Eminent scholars from the field of Humanities and allied subjects have been invited to deliver lectures under the aegis of the Tagore Chair since then.

In March 2017, vide letters FA/967 dated 3rd March 2017 and No. A/MCF/1123 dated 27th March 2017; the Officiating Dean, Faculty of Arts, Prof. K. Krishnan revived the Tagore Chair in Humanities and lectures have been continued by renowned thinkers and scholars.

Bust of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore is installed in the Faculty of Arts main campus as a part of a kind donation from the city organization.

Details of Lecture Series under the Chair are as follows:

Prof. Bhikhu Parekh, Emeritus Professor at the University of Hull and University of Westminster presented the first lectures in revived series of Tagore Chair for Humanities on 21st and 22nd February 2019.

I Lecture-- "Tagore's Critique of Nationalism"

II Lecture--"Tagore's Vision of India"

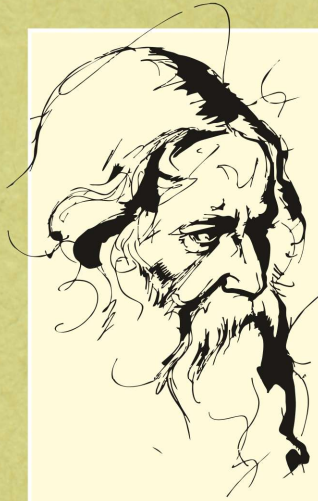
Prof. Akeel Bilgrami, Sidney Morgenbesser Professor of Philosophy and Professor at Columbia University presented the lecture on the 11th and 13th of January 2020.

I Lecture--"Was Gandhi a Radical?"

II Lecture--"What is Identity?"

During Covid-19 Circumstances, the offline event could not be organized.

The lectures for the academic year 2022-23 under Tagore Chair are proposed in the month of September 2022.



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Tagore Chair Lectures

You are cordially invited to the

Tagore Chair Lectures in Humanities

To be delivered by

Professor Akeel Bilgrami

Sidney Morgenbesser Professor of Philosophy and

Professor on the Committee on Global Thought, Columbia University

In the Chair: Professor Parimal Vyas

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara

Lecture 1

Title: Was Gandhi a Radical?

Day/Date: Saturday, 11th January 2020

Time: 4.00 p.m.

Lecture 2

Title: What is Identity?

Day/Date: Monday, 13th January 2020

Time: 4.00 p.m.

Venue: Sri Aurobindo Hall, Faculty of Arts,
The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara

About the Speaker



Akeel Bilgrami is Sidney Morgenbesser Professor of Philosophy and Professor on the Committee on Global Thought at Columbia University, USA. Professor Bilgrami earned his B.A in English Literature from Elphinstone College, Bombay University and went to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar where he read Philosophy, Politics, and Economics. He has a Ph.D in Philosophy from the University of Chicago. He has been the Director of the Heyman Centre for the Humanities as well as Director of the South Asian Institute at Columbia. He earlier spent two years at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Professor Bilgrami has two relatively independent sets of intellectual interests – the philosophy of Mind and Language and Political Philosophy and Moral Psychology. His publications include *Belief and Meaning* (Blackwell, 1992), *Self-Knowledge and Resentment* (Harvard University Press, 2006), and *Secularism, Identity and Enchantment* (Harvard University Press, 2014). He is due to publish two books in the near future, one titled *What is a Muslim?* (Princeton University Press) and the other titled *Gandhi's Integrity* (Columbia University Press). Professor Bilgrami is also the editor of the books *Democratic Culture: Historical and Philosophical Essays* (Routledge, 2011); *Marx, Gandhi and Modernity* (Columbia University Press, 2014); *Who's Afraid of Academic Freedom* (Columbia University Press, 2016); and *Beyond the Secular West* (Columbia University Press, 2016). His long-term future work is on the relations between agency, value, and practical reason.



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Tagore Chair in Humanities
by
Professor Bhikhu Parekh
Emeritus Professor, University of Hull and University of Westminster

Day/Date: Thursday, 21st February 2019

Venue: Dr. Mrunalini Devi Puar Auditorium, Faculty of Family and Community Sciences, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

Itinerary

In the Chair: Dean, Faculty of Arts

4.00 pm – 4.03 pm	University Song	
4.03 pm – 4.15 pm	Welcome Address & Introducing the Speaker	Lajwanti Chatani, Department of Political Science
4.15pm – 5.10 pm	Tagore Chair Lecture in Humanities: "Tagore's Critique of Nationalism"	Bhikhu Parekh, Emeritus Professor, University of Hull and University of Westminster
5.10pm – 5.30 pm	Q & A	
5.30pm – 5.35 pm	Vote of Thanks	Shweta Jejurkar, Dean of Students, Faculty of Arts
5.35 pm – 5.36 pm	National Anthem	
Tea/Coffee		



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Day/Date: Friday, 22nd February 2019

Venue: Dr. Mrunalini Devi Puar Auditorium, Faculty of Family and Community Sciences, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

Itinerary

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