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**SNDT WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY**

**DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION**

AND

**JAI VAKEEL FOUNDATION**

ON THE THEME

## **EMBRACING DIVERSITY: THE INTERSECTIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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# ICE 3

The concept of diversity encompasses a multitude of dimensions, and at its core lies the intricate interplay of various identities and experiences. The theme of this international conference, "Embracing Diversity: The Intersectional Experience", explores the nuanced intersections of race, gender, sexuality, class, ability, and other facets of identity. This conference attempts to highlight the importance, challenges, and opportunities in embracing diversity through an intersectional lens, recognising the multifaceted nature of individuals and communities. Inclusion is about embracing diversity. It is a practice of creating an environment where all individuals feel valued, respected, and supported, regardless of their differences across ability, socio-economic status, caste, and gender. Embracing diversity aims to create an inclusive and equitable environment by acknowledging and valuing the unique contributions and diverse experiences following the intersectional approach.

## OBJECTIVES

- Promote conversations on inclusion with a focus on intersectional experiences
- Reflect on innovative research and evidence-based practices
- Share and learn from varied national and international experiences

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Faculty in higher education institutions
- Special educators
- Teachers and Student-teachers
- PhD scholars
- Diversity and inclusion practitioners
- Therapists - OT/PT
- Non-profit organisations
- Development sector professionals



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### Registration Fee

Indian Participants	₹4000
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## DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

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In its endeavour to produce trained professionals SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, established the Department of Special Education in 1977. The University has a legacy of 108 years that strives to empower women of the country with quality education. This Department is the first of its kind to offer Special Education Training at degree level to women graduates to teach and manage children with various exceptionalities. All children can reach their optimum potential if given opportunity, required resources and a skilled teacher. Special Education aims to meet the needs of children with diverse needs. Today, the Department of Special Education, besides conducting training programs that are disability specific, also conducts several short-term programmes that are geared towards developing professionals for inclusive education. It aims to create a platform to create awareness in the community about the needs and rights of children with disabilities. With this objective, the department plans the Third International Conference on Education (ICE 3).



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## **Integrating Technology in Higher Education to Reach All** «

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## **iSEAD: Building an Inclusive Ecosystem** «

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## **Game On For Inclusion** «

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## **Exploring the Situated Self: The Impacts of Identity for Children with Diverse Needs** «

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## **Augmentative and Alternative Communication for Individuals with DeafBlindness** «

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## **Parents as Partners in Interventions** «

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## Theme

## Embracing Diversity: The Intersectional Experience

Submission Deadline: November 15, 2024

## Sub-themes

- ✔ Reduced Inequalities: Working Towards Meeting the SDGs and NEP 2020 guidelines
- ✔ Therapies for Inclusion: Conventional and Beyond
- ✔ Role of Legislature and Judiciary for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- ✔ Breaking Stereotypes: Role of Media in Inclusion
- ✔ Inclusion: The Role of Technology
- ✔ Social and Psychological Dimensions of Inclusion
- ✔ Best Practices for Inclusion in 21st Century: Through the Lens of Ability, Caste and Gender, and Socio-Economic Status

October 10, 2024  
Abstract Submission

October 15, 2024  
Acceptance Notification

November 15, 2024  
Full Paper Submission

November 30, 2024  
Acceptance Notification

January 09, 2025  
Pre-Conference Workshop

January 10-11, 2025  
Conference Day

## DETAILS FOR POSTERS

- ✔ An abstract of not more than 300 words along with 3-5 keywords.
- ✔ Poster size should be 3x4 feet portrait style.
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- ✔ Poster can be submitted on a printing material of choice (paper, sunboard, vinyl etc.) not exceeding the above mentioned size.

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