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Cordially invites you to
the inaugural talk

**Intersectional and Interdisciplinary Approaches in
Women's and Gender studies**

by
Dr Sujatha Moni
Professor & Chair, Department of Women's & Gender Studies
California State University,
Sacramento, USA.

on
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@ Lawrence Sundaram Auditorium
Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

By the faculty members of the Department of English and Sociology

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“In the longer run and for wide-reaching issues, more creative solutions tend to come from imaginative interdisciplinary collaborations”

-Robert J Shiller

Interdisciplinary learning, both in the past and the contemporary period is not an opulence but a necessity, as real-world affairs or the real world itself does not divide itself into perfect spheres of disciplines with impregnable walls. It exists as a mixture, a blend of various fields with no clear-cut boundaries, that interacts with everything possible, creating new bubbles of knowledge, that in turn assist in the formation of numerous ideas.

Apprehending this vital demand, the Research and Interdisciplinary Networking - RAIN came into existence through the essential contribution of the Department of Sociology and the Department of English.

The students were first addressed by Dr. P. Mary Vidya Porselvi, the Head of the English department. Following that, the logo of the RAIN was inaugurated by Dr. G. Gladston Xavier, from the Department of Social Work. Shortly after that, the guest, Dr. Sujatha Moni, was introduced to the audience by Dr. Vanitha. J, Head of the Department of Sociology, in a concise manner.

Following that Dr. Sujatha Moni instigated her talk by questioning the students, on the topic of feminism to understand the crowd that she was dealing with. As it was more of a discourse than an individual talk, various understandings of feminism from different students brewed to the surface, as they eagerly participated.

The entire session was based on interaction and was also thought-provoking. Numerous questions arose, and even students themselves were given opportunities to answer. It also came to light that a divergence exists between the feminism of the West and Indian feminism. The talk ended with an interesting questioning session where even some controversial questions sprung up and were answered.

Overall, the event showcased the necessity of an interdisciplinary approach, exemplified through an intricate exploration of women's

studies and feminism. This approach must be fully embraced and integrated into the education of every student possible.





