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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

PRESENT DESIGNATION: Assistant Professor of History, Adamas University, Kolkata, Feb 7th – Present

### **PAST EXPERIENCES:**

- Assistant Professor (History), Amity School of History, Amity University, Jharkhand, 2022 2024 (January)
- Pandit Iswarchandra Vidyasagar Bicentenary Research Fellow, Asiatic Society, Kolkata, 2020-2022
- **Guest Lecturer** in the PG section of Acharya Prafulla Chandra College (under West Bengal State University), New Barrackpore, 2022-2023
- Researcher in Swaraj Express news channel, I.T.O, New Delhi, 2019
- Assistant Teacher in the Higher Secondary section of Carmel School, Budge Budge, April- August 2016
- Guest Lecturer, Sivanath Sastri College, Kolkata, 2014-2015
- Guest lecturer, Victoria Institution College, Kolkata, 2013-2014

# **EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS**

- PhD, Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2022
- M.Phil., Department of History, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, 2015
- M.A, Department of History, **Jadavpur University**, Kolkata, 2013
- B.A, Department of History, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 2011

## SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

- Terry Tod Award for the best paper titled 'Physical Exercise as Preventative Medicine: Looking Back at Colonial Bengal (circa 1860-1947)' from the H. J. Lutcher Stark Centre for Physical Culture and Sports, University of Texas, 2023
- Foreign Travel Grant from Indian Council for Historical Research for the Project "Nation Against the Empire: Forging Bengal's Self-hood through Physical Culture Movement", 2022
- Travel Grant from the British Society of the History of Science, 2022
- Awarded ECR Grant from British Society for Sports History, 2022
- "Pandit Iswarchandra Vidyasagar Bicentenary Fellowship" for the topic 'Reconsidering the Reformer: Contribution
  of Vidyasagar towards Medicine and Health in Ninteenth Century Bengal' from Asiatic Society Kolkata, 20202023
- Travel grant (Wellcome Trust) from University of Strathclyde to present "Striving towards a Healthy Nation: The Rise of Health Consciousness in Colonial Bengal" in the History Unlimited Seminar, 2016
- Travel grant from Jadavpur University to present a paper titled "Mudras and Ballet Shoes: Influence of the West on Indian Dance" at the Asian Conference on Arts and Humanities 2013, Osaka (Japan), 2013

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Basudhita Basu, 'Subarna Baniks Of Calcutta', C.L.I.O, Kolkata, 2012
- Basudhita Basu, 'Olympics and Global Capitalism', Itihas Prabanda Mala, Dhaka, 2012
- Basudhita Basu, 'Dance in need and dance in deed' in Chittabrata Palit and Jenia Mukherjee (edited) History and Beyond Trends and Trajectories, Delhi: Kunal Books, 2014
- Basudhita Basu, 'Gendering sports in Colonial Bengal', *Economic and Political Weekly*, 2nd September, Vol. LII NO 35, 32-36, 2017
- Basudhita Basu, 'Sports Education in Colonial Bengal: A Double-Edged Sword?' South Asia Research, Vol. 38 (No. 3), 2018
- Basudhita Basu, 'Implanting the Games Ethic in Bengal: The Colonial Context', *Indian Historical Review*, 46(2), 263-277, 2019
- Basudhita Basu, 'Health Is Wealth: Diffusion of Physical Education in Bengal' in Suvankar Dey (edited) *Health has a History: Revisiting Bengal*, 207-223, Kolkata: K.P. Bagchi and Company, 2021
- Basudhita Basu, 'Retrieving the Role and Contribution of Women in State Formation' a Book review in Economic and Political History, Vol LVII No 25, 34, 2022
- Basudhita Basu, 'Physical Exercise as a Preventive Medicine: Colonial Bengal (1900-1947)', Iron Game History
   Peer Review, Vol 17, No.2, 2024

### **SEMINAR & TALKS**

- Presented 'Virile and Not Fragile: Historicising Women's Empowerment Through Physical Education in Colonial Bengal' at the International Conference organised by the **University of Auckland**, *2023*
- Presented paper titled 'Physical Exercise as Preventative Medicine: Looking Back at Colonial Bengal (circa 1860-1947)' at the 2023 Physical Cultures of the Body III Conference, **University of Texas**, 2023

- Paper presented on 'Self-Defence against Sexual Violence: Historicizing Women's Empowerment' at the 81st session of the **Indian History Congress**, 2022
- "Attitude towards Dance and Dancers throughout the Ages" at the two-day National Seminar on "The Moving Space: Women in Dance" jointly organized by International Dance Alliance and the School of Women's Studies, **Jadavpur University, Kolkata,** 2019
- "Sports as Heritage: Historicizing Football Clubs in Colonial Bengal" in the International Workshop on Heritage and Memory: Reminding, Reclaiming and Representation. The workshop was conducted by the Centre for Historical Studies, CAS Programme, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2019
- "Sports as Pedagogical Vehicle: Importance of Sports Education in Colonial Bengal", **Pierrre Savard Conference**, **History Department at the University of Ottawa**, 2019
- "Discipline in Sports: The importance of sports education in Colonial Bengal", Sports and Education in Britain and Ireland Conference held at **Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, Belfast, Ireland,** 2019
- "Implanting the Games Ethic in Colonial Bengal: The Story of Games Education in the Boys' Schools and colleges of Bengal", **78th Session of Indian History Congress, Jadavpur University,** 2017
- "Striving towards a Healthy Nation: The Rise of Health Consciousness in Colonial Bengal" in the 'History Unlimited' series, **University of Strathclyde**, **Glasgow**, 2016
- "Kathak Dance Through the Ages: Globalisation and Dance" in the Women's Worlds Congress, University of Hyderabad, 2014
- "Water Conservation Through the Five Rings: Olympics and its Ecological Praxis" in the International Junior Research Scholars' Seminar on "All about Water", Corpus Research Institute, Kolkata, 2014
- "Mudras and Ballet Shoes: Influence of the West on Indian Dance." **The Asian Conference on Arts and Humanities 2013, Osaka (Japan), 2013**
- "Involvement of Women in Physical Culture Movement in 20th Century Bengal" in the International Seminar on 'Comparative Colonial Middle – Classes', **Department of History**, **Jadavpur University**, **2013**
- "Olympics and the Cultures of Global Capitalism", Itihas Academy, Dhaka (Bangladesh), 2012
- Presented a paper in Kolkata on "The Impact of Chittagong Uprising: 1930-34" at a **Junior Research Scholar** Seminar, at Corpus Research Institute, Kolkata, 2011
- "The Subarna Baniks of Kolkata", Corpus Research Institute, Santineketan, 2011
- Presented a paper in Chandigarh on "Region Shaping the Course of Indian History during the Ancient and Medieval Period" at the 47th annual conference of the Institute of Historical Studies held at **Punjab University**, 2010

#### ORGANISING SEMINAR/ CONFERENCES

- Organised a series of Webinars on 'Sports in India: Past, Present, Future' (5 sessions) in collaboration with the University of Lausanne.
- Organised a webinar on 'Studying History and Its Rewarding Career Pathways 3.0' at Adamas University on June 7, 2024.

#### FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

- Participated in the Faculty Development Program on "Innovative Teaching and Learning Pedagogy', jointly organized by the Faculty of Commerce, Parul University-Gujarat, Research Foundation of India, April 2023
- Participated in FDP-QQR by Eudoxia Research Centre, May 2023

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Political Movements in Modern Indian History
- History of Sports and Physical Culture Movement.
- History of Education in Colonial India.
- Studies Related to Gender in Modern India.
- History of Medicine in Colonial Bengal.

## UPCOMING CONFERENCE/BOOK/RESEARCH PAPERS

- Book proposal accepted by Primus Publishers under Ratna Sagar, New Delhi and the manuscript is under review
- Upcoming Paper: Basudhita Basu, Striving for a Healthy Body: Bengali Women and Physical Fitness in Colonial Bengal (Circa 1900-1947), The Asiatic Society, Kolkata
- Upcoming Book: Basudhita Basu, RECONSIDERING THE REFORMER: CONTRIBUTION OF VIDYASAGAR TOWARDS MEDICINE AND HEALTH IN NINTEENTH CENTURY BENGAL, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata