

Faculty Detail

Name: Pragyanparamita Mohapatra

Designation: Assistant Professor

Qualification: M.A. (Utkal University), M. Phil and PhD (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

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Bio sketch: Dr. Pragyanparamita Mohapatra presently working as an Assistant Professor in Philosophy at Utkal University. She has received her PhD and M.Phil degree from Jawaharlal Nehru University, in the area of philosophy of language. She has presented papers in many national and international seminars/conferences. She has published articles in some of the reputed journals of India along with chapters in some edited books. Her research interests presently extend to the domain of philosophy of mind, phenomenology and Buddhism.

- RESEARCH DOMAIN: Philosophy of language, Analytic Philosophy, Philosophy of mind
- EDUCATION

Ph.D. Department: Philosophy Thesis Title: Language, Reality and Representation: A Study of the debate between Realism and Anti-Realism Areas: Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mind Supervisor: Dr. Manidipa Sen	July, 2009 – July, 2014	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
M.Phil. Department: Philosophy Thesis Title: Theories of Meaning and Reference: A Comparative study of Gottlob Frege and Bertrand Russell Areas: Philosophy of Language Supervisor: Dr. Manidipa Sen	July, 2007– July, 2009	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
M.A. (Philosophy)	2006	Utkal University
B.A. (Philosophy)	2004	Ramadevi Women's College, Utkal University
UGC-JRF	2012	
ICPR-JRF	2012	

- EMPLOYMENT

Utkal University	Jan. 7, 2016 –present	Assistant Professor
Sashi Bhusan Rath Women's (Auto.) College, Berhampur	July, 4. 2010 – Jan., 6, 2016	Junior Lecturer (OES)
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New	2010 (Winter sem.)- 2012	Teaching Assistant

Delhi	(Winter Sem.)	(Temporary)
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- RESEARCH/ INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE
- COURSE TAUGHT: **M.A.-** Symbolic Logic (Paper-V), Conceptual and Linguistic Analysis (paper-IX), Contemporary Indian Philosophy (Paper-XIII), Philosophy of Mind and Cognition (Paper-XVIII), **Ph.D-** Literature review, Modern Indian Renaissance thinkers
- PUBLICATIONS:
Journals: National:
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Michael Dummett's Semantic Anti-Realism", *Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research*, Dec 08, 2024, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40961-024-00343-2>, Vol. 42, issue 1, 67-92, issn: 0970-7794
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, and Madhusudan Majhi, "Dharmakirti on Perception and Self-awareness", *Journal of All Odisha Philosophical Association*, January 2024, Vol. X, No. I, ISSN 23952784 pp. 68-78
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Metaphysical Realism and Naturalized Epistemology" *Tattva - journal of Philosophy*, 20-11-2023, Vol.15, No.2, 21-38, ISSN 0975-332X, <https://doi.org/10.12726/tjp.30.2>
 - Manoranjan Mallick & Pragyanparamita Mohapatra, "Wittgenstein's notion of 'Higher': A reading from Sankar's concept of Jnana", *Athens Journal of Philosophy*, - Vol. 2, Issue 1, March 2023, pp. 53-66, <https://doi.org/10.30958/ajphil.2-1-4>
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Evans' appraisal of Fregean Sense" In *Indian Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, ISSN: 0976-2337, vol- VII, Issue-I, 2022, pp. 93-105.
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "On Rule-Following: Kripke's Wittgenstein" In *Indian Philosophical Quarterly*, ISSN: 0376-415X, vol-46, No. 3-4, July-December 2019 issue, published in June 2021, pp. 16-31, journal of the department of philosophy, Savitribai Phule Pune University.
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Davidson on Self-Knowledge and Externalism" in *Journal of Foundational Research*, UGC Centre for Advanced Studies, Dept. of Philosophy, university of Rajasthan, Jaipur, ISSN-2395-5635, Vol. 28, issue-1, Jan. 2020, pp. 215-253, peer-reviewed
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Michael Devitt in defence of Metaphysical Realism", in *Indian Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, ISSN: 0976-2337, vol- VI, No-II, 2016, pp. 25-47.
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "Nelson Goodman on Worldmaking" in *Journal of the All Orissa Philosophy Association*, Mohapatra, edited by Ram. C. Majhi, ISSN: 2395-2784, Vol.4, No. 1, Jan, 2018, pp. 42-48
 - Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, "What We Ought to Be? Ethical Significance of Buddha's Teachings", in *Ravenshaw Journal of Philosophy*, edited by Ram. C. Majhi, ISSN: 2395-3209, Vol. IV, December 2018, pp. 40-55.

Book Chapters:

- Pragyanparamita Mohapatra, "An Overview of Ray's Interpretation of Kant", in *The Philosophical Explorations of Hrudananda Ray*, edited by Nandini Mishra, ISBN: 978-1-99784-070-1, Vidya Publishing Inc., Bhubaneswar, pp. 117-129, March 2026
- Manoj Kumar Panda and Pragyanparamita Mohapatra, "J.N. Mohanty on the Structure of Religious World and Religious Experience" in *Classical and Contemporary Perspectives of Indian Philosophy of Religion* edited by Manoranjan Mallick, ISBN:978-81-246-1254-5, D.K. Printworld (P) Ltd, New Delhi, pp. 342-357, 2024

- “Frege on Objectivity of Thought: An argument for Semantic Realism” in *Language, Meaning and Interpretation: East and West* edited by Kanti Lal Das and Jyotish Chandra Basak, ISBN: 978-81-7211-395-7, Northern Book Center, New Delhi, 2022, pp. 252-270
- Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, “The Concept of Rule-Following in Later Wittgenstein” in *Language, Mind and Reality: A Reflection on Philosophical Thoughts of R.C. Pradhan*, edited by Prof. Ranjan Panda, ISBN: 978-93-83803-16-3, Overseas Press (India) Ltd., New Delhi, 2015, pp. 158-176.
- Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, “On the very Idea of having a Thought: A Fregean Analysis”, in *Limits of Thought and Beyond*, edited by Prof. Adershupally Natraju. ISBN: 978-93-82951-29-2, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, London, New Delhi, New York, Sydney, Jan-2014, pp. 135-46.
- Mohapatra, Pragyanparamita, “Introduction to Philosophy of Language” in *Emerging Trends in Philosophy*, edited by Victor Babu Koppula, ISBN. 978-93-83729-23-4, Sucharitha Publications. 2014, 75-83.

• **RESEARCH GUIDANCE:**

Name of the Student	Programme	Title	Submitted/Awarded /Continuing
Somanath Panda	PhD	Mind, Knowledge and World: Revisiting Davidson’s Externalism	Continuing
Purnima Sahoo	PhD	Language and Intentionality: A Study on Husserl’s Phenomenology	Continuing
Jagannatha Moharana	PhD	Metaphysical Dualism in Samkhya and Descartes: A Comparative study	Continuing
Madhusudan Majhi	PhD	Buddhist Notion of Self and Subjectivity: Phenomenological Analysis	Continuing

M.Phil- 08 students (Awarded) 2016-2022

M.A (Dissertation): 30 students (2022-26)

- LIST OF ONGOING/COMPLETED PROJECTS/CONSULTANCY : (01) Title- “Experience, Consciousness and Subjectivity: Investigating Self from Buddhist and Phenomenological perspective” under the scheme of Odisha University Research and Innovation Incentivization Plan (OURIIP), 2021
- SELECTED TALKS / PRESENTATION
- **Invited Talks:**
- Four Lectures on Symbolic Logic for P.G. Students for Indira Gandhi Open University, on 9th, 12th, 13th, and 15th February 2024, Course code- MPYE 1
- Eight lectures on Western Philosophy for UG students for Indira Gandhi Open University, from 8th May – 17th May 2024, Course code- BPYC 134
- Talk on “Philosophy of Language: The Quintessence of Philosophy” via virtual platform on 6th May, 2021, at Department of Philosophy, Paradip College, Paradip

- Talk on “Frege’s notion of Sense and Reference” via virtual platform on 21stDec. 2020, at Department of Philosophy, Presidency University, Kolkata
- Talk on “Frege’s notion of Sense and Reference” via virtual platform on 22nd Dec. 2020, at Department of Philosophy, Presidency University, Kolkata
- Talk on “Two Dogma’s of Empiricism” via virtual platform on 22nd Sep. 2020, at Department of Philosophy, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack
- Talk on “Two Dogma’s of Empiricism” via virtual platform on 29th Sep. 2020, at Department of Philosophy, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack
- Presented a paper entitled “Social Ecology as a remedy to Ecological Crisis” at ICPR sponsored national lecture organized by the department of Philosophy at Sailabala Women’s (Auto) College, Cuttack, on 5th January 2018.
- Presented a paper entitled “What we ought to be? Ethical Significance of Buddha’s Teachings.” as one of the resource persons organised by the department of Philosophy Ravenshaw University on the occasion of World Philosophy Day sponsored by ICPR, 30th January 2018.
- Presented a paper entitled “Subjectivity and Externalism” as a symposist at 32nd All Odisha Philosophical Association, organized by U.N. College of Science and Technology, Adaspur, 23rd-24th January 2020
- Presented a symposia paper entitled “Nelson Goodman on Worldmaking” in the 29th Annual Conference of All Orissa Philosophy Association held on 22-23 Jan., 2017 at Sri Jayadev College of Education and Technology, Naharkanta.

Papers presented at Seminar/Conference/workshop:

Name of the Conference/Seminar/workshop	Organized by	Date and Year	Title of the paper
National Seminar on “AI, HI, and EI: A Philosophical Quest”	Department of Philosophy, Khallikote Unitary University, Berhampur, Ganjam	10 th -11 th April 2026	The Enigma of “Thinking”
38 th All Odisha Philosophical Association	ICPR sponsored, Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	24 th -25 th January 2026	The Causal theory of Reference: Putnam and Kripke
International workshop on “Wellness in oneness: integrating artificial intelligence across disciplines for implementation of Advaita Vedanta in practice”	Department of Philosophy in collaboration with Suffolk University, Boston, USA & AI Solution Architect, MAI, USA	3 rd - 4 th January 2026	
International Seminar on “Reason, Revolution and Reconstruction in	Department of Philosophy,	16 th and 17 th January 2026	Indian Philosophy and its Essence:

Indian Philosophy: Decoding Daya Krishna's Legacy"	Ravenshaw University, Cuttack		Daya Krishna's perspective
National Seminar on "Philosophical Explorations of Prof. Hrudananda Ray"	Organized by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	27 th -28 th July 2025	An overview of Ray's interpretation of Kant
Five-day national workshop on "Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Higher Education: A Framework for Responsible Integration."	Sponsored by RUSA, Utkal University. Organized by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	11 th -15 th November 2025	
Odisha Research Conclave 2024	OSHEC, F.M. University, Balasore	26 th -28 th December, 2024	The Evolution of the concept of Anatta (No-Self) in early Buddhist thought
The Humanist Philosophy of Pandit Nilakantha Das: Bridging Tradition and Modernity	Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	26 th -27 th March 2025	Pandit Nilakantha Das on Atmika Dharma
Indian Philosophical Congress "Vasudaiva Kutumbakam"	Organized by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University,	20 th -23 rd December 2023	The Life-world and Intersubjectivity: Revisiting Husserl's Phenomenology
16 th international Congress of social philosophy and 10 th international congress of yoga and spiritual science	Bangalore University, Jnanabharati, Bengaluru, Karnataka	10 th -12 th May 2024	Embodied Self and Lived Experience: A Phenomenological Inquiry
30 Hrs Value added Certificate Course titled "Self, Body and Consciousness"	Department of Philosophy, Presidency University, Kolkata	2 nd Sep. 2023-18 th Feb. 2024, Presentation On 11 th February 2024	Narrative and Phenomenological Account of Self
Odisha Research Conclave 2023	OSHEC, Sambalpur University	14 th – 16 th November, 2023	Consciousness and Self in Yogacara Buddhism: Phenomenological Interpretation
Short-Term Course in Research Methodology	Organized by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	25 th May- 6 th June 2023	
35 th Annual Conference of All Odisha Philosophy Association (Online)	ICPR sponsored, Organized by Utkal	22 nd -23 rd Jan. 2023	Dharmakirti on Perception and Self-awareness

	University, Bhubaneswar		
Eastern Zone Philosophy Teachers' meet	ICPR sponsored, Organized by Ravenshaw University, Cuttack	11 th to 13 th Jan, 2023	An Epistemic understanding of Dharmakirti's philosophy
15 th international Congress of social philosophy and 9 th international congress of yoga and spiritual science	ICPR and WB-OHEPEE sponsored, Organized by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University	7 th to 09 th Jan, 2023	Understanding of Self and Other with reference to J.N. Mohanty
Odisha Research Conclave 2022	OSHEC at Ravenshaw University, Cuttack	14 th Nov-16 th Nov, 2022	Poster on "Self and Experience: A Narrative and Phenomenological Account"
Two-day national seminar on Indian Philosophy of Religion organized by	Department of Philosophy, Utkal University, sponsored by ICPR and supported by WB-OHEPEE	22 nd -23 rd April 2022	Discussant of the paper entitled "Vairagya in the realm of awakening consciousness", by Prof. Ranjan Kumar Panda
5 th Wittgenstein Conference of Ludwig Wittgenstein Philosophical Society on Wittgenstein and Indian Theories of Language and Epistemology	sponsored by ICPR, organized by the Dept. of Philosophy, University of Lucknow	29 th -30 th Dec., 2020	Wittgenstein and Sankar on Illusion
International Conference on "Samśaya Evam Pramā, Doubt and Knowledge- Indian and Western Perspectives	ICPR sponsored Organized by Department of Philosophy, Rajasthan University, Jaipur, Rajasthan	15 th to 17 th March, 2019	Davidson on Self-Knowledge and Externalism
UGC sponsored national seminar on "Buddha and Wittgenstein on Culture and Values"	The Centre for Mahayana Buddhist Studies of Acharya Nagarjuna University,	14 th to 16 th March, 2019	Agency, No-Self and Consciousness

	Guntur		
3 rd Ludwig Wittgenstein International Conference on “Wittgenstein on Culture and Value”	Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay	24 th Nov. 2018 to 26 th Nov. 2018	Ethics, Self and World: Wittgenstein’s view on Meaning of life
			Are Emotions Social or Psychological?
International Conference on Cognition, Emotion and Action	IIT Gandhi Nagar	6 th -8 th Dec. 2013	
international conference on Gandhirama 2012: A Feast of Ideas and Festival of Art	Indian Council of Philosophical Research at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.	17 th -22 nd October, 2012	Man and The Divine in Gandhi’s Philosophy of Nature
International conference on Language, Mind and Reality: A Reflection on Philosophical Thoughts of Professor R.C. Pradhan.	IIT Mumbai	5 th -7 th March, 2012	The Concept of Rule-Following in Wittgenstein’s Later Philosophy
International conference on Looking Within: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Consciousness	NIAS, Bangalore	5 th -7 th January, 2012	Irreducibility of Consciousness: Arguments from Inverted Spectrum
The Limits of Thought and Beyond	Assam Central University	28 th -29 th Nov, 2011	On the very Idea of having a Thought: A Fregean Analysis

Orientation and Refresher Course Programme and Short Term Course

- Attended two-week online Refresher Course in Gender Issues and Social Justice (multidisciplinary), organized by UGC-MMTTC Rajasthan University, Rajasthan from 09/09/2024 to 21/09/2024
- Completed the 30 hours Value added certificate course titled “Self, Body and Consciousness (SBAC)” from 2nd September 2023 to 18th February 2024, organised by the Department of Philosophy, Presidency University, Kolkata
- Attended Short Term Course on Research Methodology from 22nd May to 6th June 2023, organised by Department of Philosophy, Utkal University

- Attended Refresher Course in Philosophy at UGC-HRDC Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, from 15th July 2019 to 26th July 2019.
- Attended orientation programme at UGC-HRDC Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, from 13th February 2017 to 10th March 2017.
- Attended 30th orientation programme at Sambalpur University organised by HRDC, Sambalpur from 10th July 2015 to 6th August 2015.

Seminar/Conference/ Workshop Organized

Organized ICPR sponsored one day national seminar on “Philosophy, Science and Technology” on the occasion of World Philosophy Day on 10th February, 2020, at P.G. Department of Philosophy, Utkal University, Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar-751004. Resource persons: Prof. L. Udayakumar, Centre for Mahayana Buddhist Studies, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh and Prof. Ganesh Prasad Das, Formerly Head, P.G. department of Philosophy, Utkal University.

- HONORS AND AWARDS
- PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:
- Assistant Superintendent Ladies Hostel- V, Utkal University from March 2016 to till date
- Associate Editor of the Biannual Journal *Indian Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, ISSN: 0976-2337
- Research Scholar Advisor, Department of Philosophy, Utkal University, 2019-20 and 2024-25, 2026-to date
- DRC member (External), Khallikot Autonomous College, Berhampur, from 2021-22
- Board of studies Member, U.N. College of Science and Technology, Adaspur from 2018-2021
- Seminar Advisor, Department of Philosophy, Utkal University, from January 2021 to April 2022
- Editorial board member of the Biannual Journal *Indian Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, ISSN: 0976-2337 from 2022
- **ANY OTHER INFORMATIONS:**
- Secured highest grade in M.Phil course work and secured grade ‘A’ in dissertation.
- First prize for essay competition (Prof. Braja Bihari Memorial Essay Competition) in M.A. at Utkal University, Odisha.
- Red Cross Volunteer during Intermediate and Graduation (5years).
- Secured highest mark in Logic in the CHSE exam (2001) in Ramadevi Women’s Auto. College.