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**SCHOOL OF COMMERCE, ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

organises

**INTERNATIONAL FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

# **SAMVIDHI '26**

"Interdisciplinary Insights for Digital, Sustainable, and Equitable Societies"

On

**SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH FOR A CHANGING WORLD:  
DIGITALIZATION, SUSTAINABILITY, AND EQUITY**

**10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
05.30 P.M to 06.30 P.M IST**



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## ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Kristu Jayanti (Deemed to be University) is a beacon of learning and innovation since its inception in 1999 as an affiliated institution under Bangalore University. The Institution is managed by St. Joseph Province Kottayam, Kerala of Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI), the first indigenous catholic religious congregation in India. Marking a significant milestone in its journey, Kristu Jayanti attained the 'autonomous' status in the year 2013. As per the notification dated July 08, 2025, vide letter No. 9-13/2025 - U.3(A), Kristu Jayanti has been conferred the status of Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956, by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India under General Category.

Kristu Jayanti Deemed to be University offers undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Arts, Science, Management and Commerce, and integrated Law programmes. The institution was reaccredited with the highest grade 'A++' by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the Third Cycle of Accreditation in 2021. In the National Institutions Ranking Framework 2025, the institution has been ranked 34th place in the colleges category and is one of the top 100 colleges in the country. Moreover, the programmes of the Institute of Management are internationally accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs [ACBSP], USA. The Institution was accorded 'DBT Star College' status under the strengthening component by the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India during the year 2020. Kristu Jayanti has consistently featured as one of the top institutions in rankings and surveys conducted by various agencies

## ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Economics offers a diverse portfolio of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, including B.Sc. Applied Economics, and M.Sc. Economics. These programmes are structured around a rigorous and contemporary curriculum that integrates innovative teaching-learning practices with robust evaluation methodologies. The academic framework is designed to ensure that students acquire strong computational competencies, proficiency in statistical applications, and a deep conceptual understanding of economic theory, enabling them to respond effectively to emerging career challenges in a dynamic global environment. Emphasis is placed on building a solid theoretical foundation in modern economics while equipping learners with advanced analytical tools and research techniques suitable for multidimensional economic analysis. Graduates of the Department are well-prepared to pursue diverse career pathways in the corporate sector, analytics, academia, and research institutions. Through sustained collaborations with leading national and international academic and research organisations, the Department provides students with exposure to cutting-edge research and best practices in economics. These academic engagements, combined with a strong emphasis on ethical standards and professional values, ensure that budding economists are holistically trained to build impactful and responsible careers in the discipline.

## ABOUT SAMVIDHI

The International Faculty Development Programme (FDP) SAMVIDHI '26, themed "Social Science Research for a Changing World: Digitalization, Sustainability, and Equity", is

designed to bring together educators, researchers, and practitioners from across the globe to engage with contemporary transformations shaping social science research. The programme seeks to illuminate the evolving dynamics of societies, communities, and institutions by re-examining and re-conceptualizing research paradigms, tools, and methodologies in response to rapid digital, environmental, and social change.

Recognizing that research methodologies must evolve alongside changing social realities, SAMVIDHI '26 aims to equip participants with advanced interdisciplinary research skills to critically analyse, interpret, and manage data related to human behaviour, social structures, community dynamics, sustainability challenges, and issues of equity and inclusion. The FDP emphasizes the integration of theory and practice, enabling participants to address complex, multi-dimensional research questions relevant to contemporary policy, governance, and development discourse.

With a strong global and interdisciplinary focus, the programme will engage participants with both qualitative and quantitative approaches, including contemporary social theory, ethnographic methods, advanced statistical techniques, big-data analytics, artificial intelligence-driven research tools, social network analysis, and rigorous scientific survey design. Participants will explore how digital technologies and computational methods can enhance empirical inquiry, deepen analytical rigor, and generate socially relevant insights for sustainable and equitable development.

In addition, SAMVIDHI '26 will highlight the importance of academic integrity and research ethics, with focused sessions on reference and citation management in social science research. The programme will introduce and critically engage with digital tools such as Zotero, EndNote, and Mendeley, emphasizing best practices in scholarly writing, transparency, and reproducibility in an era of expanding digital data.

**SAMVIDHI '26** aspires to foster collaborative and reflective learning, encouraging participants not only to master advanced research tools and methodologies but also to critically engage with the ethical, social, and policy implications of their research. The FDP will serve as a vital platform for strengthening research competencies and for contributing meaningfully to academic scholarship, evidence-based policymaking, and socially responsive knowledge creation in a rapidly changing world.

## OBJECTIVES OF FDP

- To equip participants with contemporary research tools and methodologies for analysing digitalization, sustainability, and equity in social sciences.
- To promote interdisciplinary integration of theories and methods across social science and allied disciplines.
- To equip participants with the latest tools and techniques in social science research, focusing on methodologies that analyse social structures and dynamics within communities.
- To enhance skills in ethical academic writing and reference management using advanced digital tools like Zotero, EndNote, and Mendeley.

## PROGRAMME OUTCOME

- Enhanced understanding of advanced research tools and techniques in contemporary social science research.
- Improved familiarity with emerging trends such as digitalization, sustainability, and equity-oriented research.
- Strengthened analytical and critical thinking skills for interdisciplinary and data-driven inquiry.
- Increased awareness and adoption of ethical and responsible research practices.

## DURATION

- The seven-day Faculty Development Programme will be conducted online from 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026.
- A registration fee of Rs.500 is applicable (once paid, the fee is non-refundable). The last date for registration is 08 March 2026.
- E-certificates will be issued to participants who attend all sessions of the FDP. schedule

## SCHEDULE

Sl. No	Date	Timings	Topic	Resource Person
1	10/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Digital Transformations in Social Science Research	 <p><b>Dr. Firdous Ahmad Malik</b> Assistant Professor in Economics, Department of Management, University of the People, Pasadena, California, US</p>
2	11/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Methodological Innovations and Interdisciplinary Research Approaches / Qualitative Methods in	 <p><b>Dr. Praveen Hoogar</b> Anthropologist; Assistant Professor, School of Social Sciences &amp; Assistant Director, Directorate of Research, The Apollo University, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh, India</p>

Sl. No	Date	Timings	Topic	Resource Person
3	12/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Quantitative Methods in Social Science Research	 <p><b>Dr. Samriti Mahajan</b> Associate Professor, New Delhi Institute of Management (NDIM), New Delhi, India</p>
4	13/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Data Visualization, Analytics, and Interpretation in Social Science Research	 <p><b>Dr. Garima Singh</b> Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, FoMCA, Manipal University Jaipur, Rajasthan, India</p>
5	16/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Ethics, Equity, and Social Justice in Research	 <p><b>Dr. Jobi Babu</b> Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, Marian College Kuttikkanam (Autonomous), Kerala, India</p>
6	17/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Research Visibility: Publications, Indexing, and Citation Growth	 <p><b>Dr. A V Senthil Kumar</b> Principal, Nehru Institute of Information Technology and Management, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India</p>

Sl. No	Date	Timings	Topic	Resource Person
7	18/03/2026	5.30 PM-6.30 PM	Reference Management Simplified: Using Mendeley, Zotero, and EndNote for Academic Excellence	 <p><b>Dr. Vinothina V</b> Associate Professor, Kristu Jayanti University Bengaluru, India</p>

#### For Payment and Registration

<https://kjusys-events.kristujayanti.edu.in/#/?id=6973459249ecc14b90302dd9>



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