

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

Siddhartha Dey

PROFILE

Siddhartha Dey is an Assistant Professor of English under the West Bengal Education Service and is currently posted at Government General Degree College, Lalgadh. In his teaching career of a decade he has taught both undergraduate and postgraduate students in several colleges of Kolkata. He is an avid reader of contemporary British and American fiction as well as of popular science. His research interests lie in the intersection of cognitive sciences and narrative fiction. He is presently studying for his PhD under the supervision of Prof. Sumit Chakraborti at Presidency University, Kolkata. His proposed thesis is on 'The Science of Consciousness and the Art of its Narrative Representation in the Novels of Ian McEwan'.



TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1. Assistant Professor and Head, Department of English, Government General Degree College, Lalgadh, Jhargadh. August 2022 - Present (June 2023)
2. Assistant Professor, Department of English, Bidhannagar College, Kolkata. August 2014 - August 2022
3. Guest Faculty, Department of English, Ramakrishna Mission Residential College, Narendrapur (Autonomous). July 2013 - May 2016 (Currently associated in the capacity of external paper-setter and examiner)
4. Guest Faculty, Department of English, Sonarpur Mahavidyalaya, Kolkata. September 2013 - January 2014

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

1. Doctoral Research Scholar under the supervision of Prof. Sumit Chakraborti at Presidency University, Kolkata. April 2020 - Present (June 2023)
2. Qualified the National Eligibility Test (NET) and was also awarded Junior Research Fellowship. July 2013
3. Passed Master of Arts exam from Jadavpur University with 66.88% marks and 9.19 CGPA. July 2013
4. Passed Bachelor of Arts exam from Ramakrishna Mission Residential College (under Calcutta University) with 64.12% marks (Stood 3rd in the university). July 2011
5. Passed Higher Secondary Exam from Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Vidyalaya, Narendrapur (under West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education) with 77.40% marks. May 2008
6. Passed Madhyamik Pariksha from Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Vidyalaya, Narendrapur (under West Bengal Board of Secondary Education) with 81.62% marks. May 2006

SEMINARS, PUBLICATIONS, WORKSHOPS AND OTHER COURSES

- Participated in a two weeks' Refresher Course on 'Multiculturalism' conducted by the Human Resource Development Centre, Burdwan University. July - August 2022
- Participated in the 6th Faculty Induction Programme conducted by the Human Resource Development Centre, Jadavpur University. January - February 2022
- Participated in a five days' Faculty Development Programme on 'Transcending Disciplines: New Directions in Language, Literature and Culture' conducted by Amity Institute of English Studies and Research, Amity University Kolkata. August 2021.
- Presented a paper titled 'Unreliable Memory and Narrative Form in Memoirs of Grief' (Paper now published in an ISBN volume) in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on the Interpretation of Memories: Literary, psychological, cultural and historical aspects at St Paul's Cathedral Mission College. December 2016.
- Participated in a Teachers' Training Workshop on the Use of E-Resources in Higher Education conducted by EU-India, Project E-QUAL, Jadavpur University. October 2016.
- Wrote a chapter titled 'Varied Ways to Secure a Feminine Identity in Anita Nair's Ladies Coupe' in *Indian Fiction in English : Mapping the Contemporary Literary Landscape*, Creative Books, New Delhi (ISBN 978-81-8043-108-1). 2014

SPECIAL/INVITED LECTURES AND SESSIONS CHAIRED

- Chaired a session in the Inter-University Students' and Researchers' Conference on 'Modernism Revisited' organised by the Department of English, Ramakrishna Mission Residential College (Autonomous), Narendrapur. December 2022
- Delivered a special lecture series on Thomas More's *Utopia* to the postgraduate students of the Department of English, Bethune College, Kolkata. January 2022.
- Chaired a session in the Inter-University Students' and Researchers' Conference on 'Narrating Partition in South Asia: Recent Trends and Perspectives' organised by the Department of English, Ramakrishna Mission Residential College (Autonomous), Narendrapur. December 2021
- Delivered a special lecture series on Thomas More's *Utopia* to the postgraduate students of the Department of English, Bethune College, Kolkata. January 2021.
- Delivered an invited lecture on 'Popular Literature' at the Department of English, Basanti Devi College, Kolkata. July 2020.
- Chaired a session in the 8th Inter-University Students' and Researchers' Conference on 'The Eclipse of the Bengali Intellectual (Part II)' organised by the Department of English, Ramakrishna Mission Residential College (Autonomous), Narendrapur. November 2019
- Chaired a session in the Inter-University Students' and Researchers' Conference on 'Limits of Laughter in Cultural Discourse and Practice' organised by the Department of English, Ramakrishna Mission Residential College (Autonomous), Narendrapur. November 2017

SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Decent speaking, writing and reading skills in Bengali, English and Hindi. Completed Junior Certificate Course on Latin from School of Languages, Ramakrishna Mission, Golpark. Avid quizzer with experience of participating and also conducting several prestigious quizzes in Kolkata as well as school and college quizzes. Intermittently writes book reviews and other articles for web magazines.