



**UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA**  
*Department of Buddhist Studies*

**FACULTY ACADEMIC PROFILE**

- 1. Full name of the faculty member :** Dr. Piyali Chakraborty
- 2. Designation :** Assistant Professor
- 3. Specialisation :** Asian Buddhism and Mahayana Buddhism
- 4. Passport size photo :**



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**6. Academic qualification.**

College / University from which the degree was obtained	Abbreviation of the degree
Shri Shikshayatan College	BA (Hons.)
University of Calcutta	M.A.
University of Calcutta	M. Phil
University of Calcutta	Ph. D

- 7. Position held / holding :** Assistant Professor (Department of Buddhist Studies)

**8. Research Interests :**

Please cite briefly the areas of research interests.

- Theravada Buddhism
- Buddhist Philosophy
- Mahayana Buddhism
- Comparative Studies (Greek Philosophy and Buddhist Philosophy)

## 9. Research Guidance :

Number of researchers awarded M. Phil / Ph. D degrees :

Number of researches pursuing M. Phil / Ph.D.

## 10. Projects :

### On going Projects :

UGC as Co. PI (under UPE scheme Phase II) Title “ Relation between the University of Calcutta and University of Rangoon in respect of Teaching and Learning of Pali Vis-a-Vis, Buddhist Studies, Dept of Buddhist Studies , C.U.

### Completed Projects :

“Conceptual terms as depicted in Dharmakosa Sangraha”, as R.L. Mitra research fellow, 2002 – 03, Asiatic Society, Kolkata.

“Buddhism in Iran and Afghanistan through the ages”, UGC (Major Research Project), under UPE Scheme, as a Project Associate, 2007-10.

## 11. Select list of Publications:

### a) Journals :

- Name of the Article – “Transitional period of Hinayana to Mahayana”. Journal of the Department of Pali, Vol- Eleven, 2000.
- Name of the Article – “Adi Buddha” Bengali Journal, “ Nalanda”, 2006
- Name of the Article – “ Campa’ye Bouddho Shilpa O Sthapatya” – Bengali Journal, “Nalanda, 2009.
- Name of the Article – “Pala Purba Yuge Nalanday Prapta Kichu Murti”, Bengali Journal “Nalanda”, 2010.
- Name of the Article – “ Universality of Buddhism lies in Mahayana Buddhism” English Journal, “Attadip” – Year 2008.
- Name of the Article –“Oshodhiparivarta”, Bengali ‘Dhammacakkam’ Journal for Buddha Tri-Ratna Mission, New Delhi, 2011.
- Name of the Article –“Dhamma in Buddhism and Hinduism”, English, “Attadip”, Journal 2011-2012.
- Name of the Article –“Satan and Mara- as the symbols of Evil”, Journal of the Department of Pali, (Vol – 13) C.U.
- Name of the Article – “ Attadipa”,“Allusion to Mara in Pali Canon”, Journal, 2012.
- Name of the Article - “Demonology in Jataka”, –“Ebang Amra”, Little Magazine (Honorable West Bengal Academy Award Awardee), 2014.
- Name of the Article –‘Revival of Theravada Buddhism in Bengal’, Journal of the Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, 2015.

- Name of the Article – ‘Buddha Dharma Darshan’, H.H. Sanghanayaka Dr.S. Dharmapala Mahathero National Cremation Celebration Committee, Shakpura, Boakhali, Chittagong, Bangladesh, 2015.
- Name of the Article –“Baudhya Dharma O Manovijnan”, Journal “ Nalanda” (Bengali) Golden Jubilee year – Inauguration Ceremony on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016,
- Name of the Article –“Jainism and Jain Iconography” for the journal of the Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Calcutta, 2016.
- Name of the Article – “Buddhism in Kerala” Journal of the Department of Pali, Vol-19, University of Calcutta, 2016.
- Name of the Article – “ The Reference of Mara in Majjhimanikaya”, English, Journal “Nalanda”. 2016.
- Name of the Article – “Allusion to Mara in Dhammapada”, Journal of the Department of Pali, C.U. (Vol-20), 2017.
- Name of the Article –“Buddhist Influences in Japanese Art through the Ages “ , Journal : Dharmadoot’ (Vol- 84), Mahaboddi Society of India, Sarnath, Varanasi, India, 2018.
- Name of the Article – “The Practice of Vipassana in Today”, Journal of the All India Federation of Bengal Buddhist, 2018.
- Name of the Article – “Theory of Negation in Buddhism – A brief study” 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of India Society for Buddhist Studies , (Department of Philosophy) University of Kalyani, 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018.
- Name of the Article – “ Buddhism and Globalization”, Journal of the Department of Pali, C.U. ( in press).
- Name of the Article – “Baudhya Bhavona O Rabindranath”, Department of Hindi, C.U. On the occasion of ‘Baishe Srabon”, 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2018.
- Name of the Article –“ Darshaner Adikatha”, Journal of the Centenary Volume on Projnajyoti Mahasthaver, April 2019.
- Journal : “Ebang Amra”- August 2020, Article – “Darshanik Chintar Utsha Prashange Ekti Sankhipta Alochana”.

**b) Books / book chapters :**

- ✓ “Theravada Buddhism : Transition, Decline and Revival”, Sanskrit Book Depot, Kolkata, January 2014.
- ✓ History of Buddhism in Campa (Vietnam)”, 2002 .
- ✓ Chapter “Concept of Adi Buddha in Dharmakosa Sangraha”, in Prof. Suniti Kr. pathak Felicitation Volume – “Dimensions of Buddhism and Jainism” (Vol2), 2009.
- ✓ Chapter –“Srimulavasam – A Famous Buddhist Center of Ancient Kerala” Swarnasundaram (Dr. N.S. Mishra Felicitation Volume)(Peer Reviewed) Edt. by Sashibhashan Mishra, Publisher – Benaras Mercantile Co: Kolkata, July 2020.

**c) Conference / Seminar Volumes :**

- National Seminar on “Buddhism in Universal Perspective” held on March 23-24, 2004, Department of Pali, Calcuta University, Title of the Paper – “Universality of Buddhism Lies in Mahayana Buddhism”.
- International Seminar on “Role of Pali in the Perspective of International Peace of Humanity, held on 21-22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2007 organized by the Department of Pali, Calcutta University, at Post – Centenary Golden Jubilee Celebration and Centenary Celebration of the Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, 2007, Title of the papers – “Justice in Buddhism.”
- Indian Society for Buddhist Studies, Eighth Annual Conference held on 5-7<sup>th</sup> September 2008, Organized by Dr. Babasaheb Ambekar Marathawada University, Aurangabad. Title of the paper – “The Code of Discipline in Mahayana Buddhism – A critical estimate”.
- Pali Conference Organised by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan held on 22-24<sup>th</sup> September 2009, New Delhi. Title of the paper “The Evolution of the conception of mind from Dhammapada to Abhidhamma – A syncretic study”.
- Presented a paper in International Conference and Lectures by Prof. B.M. Barua 125<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary Celebration Committee, Department of Pali, CU, “The Secret of Buddhism”, 2014.
- Three Day-International Seminar on “Contemporary Challenges and Pali-Prakrit and Buddhist Literature “ held on 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2016. Organised by Sri Sitaram Vaidic Adarsha Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya, under the Auspices of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (Deemed University, New Delhi), Title of the paper “Contemporary Challenges of Buddhism in the age of Science – An overview”.
- Three Day International Seminar on “Logic, Ethics & Epics : Homage to Professor Bimal Krishna Matilal”, Organized by ICPR Center for Buddhist Studies, Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University 27<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> Dec’ 2016.
- An International Seminar on 25<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2019 “Desh – Videsh main Hindi Bhasa aur Hindi Sahitya. Department of Hindi, University of Calcutta.

- Two –days International Seminar on “ Role of Women in Present Society as per Buddhas’s perspective”. Topic : “Tara the Mother Goddess – an Emblem of Buddhahood”. Organized by Shantiniketan Ambedkar Buddhist Welfare Mission in collaboration with Department of Indo-Tibetan Studies, Visva – Bharati, Shantiniketan 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Mar’ 2019.

### **International Webiner**

- Attended 3 day International Webinar on “Spiritual Well-being and Stree Management”. Religio – Psychological Perspective. (21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020) Organised by Bhaktivedanta Research Centre and Kolkata Society for Asian Studies. Topic of my article – ‘Stress Management : a Buddhist Approach’. ( Date and Time of my Presentation was 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 8:00 p.m. to 8 :35 p.m.

#### **d) Other Publications:**

Article on “Samatha and Vipassana : The two branches Meditation”, In “Ethics and Applied Ethics Series” (Vol 7), 2016.

### **SEMINAR**

One – Day Seminar on “Buddhism and Buddhist Studies: Bengal’s Involvement and Contribution”. Organized by The Asiatic Society, Kolkata (11<sup>th</sup> August 2017).

#### **12. Membership of Learned societies.**

- ❖ Life member of ‘The Asiatic Society’, Kolkata
- ❖ Life member of ‘The Indian Society for Buddhist Studies’.

#### **13. Invited lectures delivered :**

- ❖ Delivered lectures at the workshop “Pali for Beginners” organized by Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, 2014.
- ❖ Delivered a lecture at the workshop on ‘Intermediate Course in Pali’ organized by Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, Oct 2014.
- ❖ Delivered a lecture at the International Conference on ‘Applied Buddhism’ (Buddhism in everyday life) organized by Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, Mar 2016.
- ❖ Seven –days workshop on “Learning Pali”. Organized by Department of Pali, on 10<sup>th</sup> July-18<sup>th</sup> July 2017.
- ❖ UGC sponsored short term course programme on Peace studies and conflict Resolution: Topic “Dhamma and Bodhicitta a Conflict Resolution” organized by Department of

Buddhist Studies, University of Calcutta & UGC HRDC, University of Calcutta (14<sup>th</sup> Nov. – 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2018)

**14. Awards :**

Gold medal awardee by University of Calcutta (M.A. 1<sup>st</sup> Q 1<sup>st</sup> )

**15. Other notable activities.**

- Anchored as a ‘Master of Ceremony’ on several Educational and Non-educational Programme as well as seminar conducted by Japanese Consulate, Kolkata.
- Anchored as a “Master of Ceremony” at a Programme on ‘IKEBANA’ Organised by Japanese consulate on the occasion of the Indo-Japan Friendship year (2007).
- Selected as one of the five students representing on behalf of Calcutta University to meet the then President of India, DR. A.P. J. ABDUL QALAM, (17<sup>th</sup> January, 2006) at the Science City Main Auditorium, Kolkata.
- Anchored the Release Programme of “Prof. Suniti Kumar Pathak Felicitation volume – Dimension of Buddhism and Jainism” September, 2009 –venue : Ramkrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark, Kolkata .
- Attended a Day long meeting as a Delegate held on 29-08-2014 with representatives of University of Calcutta at Karmapa International Buddhist Institute, New Delhi for their affiliation programme.
- Anchored the whole programme conducted by the Department of Buddhist studies, University of Calcutta on the occasion of the visit of delegates from Webster University, Thailand (To attend the signing of MOU with the University of Calcutta on 18-02-2015.
- Received invitation for evaluation of M.A. Examination 2018 Nava Nalanda Mahavihara (Deemed University) Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, Nalanda, Bihar, July 2018.
- Invigilated 21<sup>st</sup> State Eligibility Test (SET) 2018 conducted by West Bengal College Service Commission held at College Street Campus, University of Calcutta on 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2018.
- National level Visiting Fellow Lecture Series Programme on Sinhala Language, Literature Culture, Organised by Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Calcutta (25<sup>th</sup> Feb – 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2019).



Signature of the faculty member

Date: 27-06-2016