

## **Programme**

### **Prospects for English Studies: The UK and India**

#### **A Workshop**

#### **To be held at**

**The Open University in London**

**Hawley Crescent, Camden Town, London NW1 8NP**

**13 & 14 July 2013**

#### **Note for participants**

1. The project is integrative and comparative, and discussions extend those of the two previous workshops held in Delhi. This programme should then be read in conjunction with the reports of the two previous workshops held in Delhi:
  - **The Profession of English Studies 1: Policy, Pedagogy, Scholarship, and the Market** (LW Report 1.doc)
  - **The Profession of English Studies 2: Employment, Management, and the Multilingual Context** (LW Report 2.doc)
2. To aid navigation the sessions, questions discussed and issues raised are indicated in:
  - **Workshops 1 & 2 Key to topics, questions and issues** (Workshops 1 & 2 Key to topics, questions and issues.doc)
3. With the help of colleagues in Delhi we have also carried out a pilot survey of English Studies students there. As background for the workshop we are circulating:
  - **the questionnaire - Prospects for English Studies in India: 2012-2013: Student Survey** (Delhi Survey Questionnaire v5.doc)
  - **Pilot HE ES Undergraduate Student Survey, 2012-2013: Some Results** (Pilot Student Survey.doc)
4. A provisional list of participants can be found at the end of the programme

This workshop is part of the project 'Prospects for English Studies: India and Britain Compared' sponsored by the UK Arts and Humanities Research Council and the UK Open University, and in association with the University of Delhi; Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi; and Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi.

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**Saturday 13 July Morning Session**

**0930 - 10.00**

Registration

**10.00 - 10.30**

Welcome and Introductions

**10.30 - 11.30**

**1 A discussion to pick up threads and set the scene for the new workshop**

**Topic**

For the future we should see 'English' in universities as

*either* a global brand, ripe for recognition by World Heritage but also vital for the free movement of labour,

*or* an increasingly fragmented thing, embodying local cultures and expressing local needs.

**11.30 - 1.00 Thematic Session 1**

**2 Public and University Policies as drivers for change**

*For this session the workshop will be joined by:*

Professor Gail Marshall, Leicester University & Vice-Chair, Council for College and University English

Professor Peter Rawlings, Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts, Creative Industries and Education, University of the West of England

Professor Kevin Hetherington, Professor of Geography and Dean of Social Sciences, The Open University

Drs Astrid Wissenburg, Director, Research, Scholarship and Quality, The Open University

**13.00 - 14.00 Lunch**

**Saturday 13 July Afternoon Session**

**2.00 - 3.30**

**English Studies, 'employability', and the employers' perspective**

*For this session the workshop will be joined by:*

Professor Peter Rawlings, see above

Professor Martin Halliwell, Leicester University & Chair, English Association Higher Education Committee

Sally Harrison & Karen Lennox, Glyndwr University & co-investigators for an English Subject centre Project 'Employability activity focusing on entrepreneurial skills'

Dr Eben Muse, Bangor University & co-investigator for an English Subject centre Project 'The value of literary analysis to City financial institutions'

Dr Clive Baldwin, Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts, The Open University

**3.30 - 5.00**

**English Language and English Literature as components of English Studies**

*For this session the workshop will be joined by:*

Professor Greg Myers, Professor of Rhetoric and Communication, Lancaster University

Dr Richard Smith, Centre for Applied Linguistics, Warwick University

Dr Ann Hewings, Centre for Language and Communication, The Open University

Dr Hepzibah Israel, Programme Director for the MSc in Literary Translation as Creative Practice, Edinburgh University

*And from the core group we call on the expertise in Translation Studies of:*

Professor Mohammed Asaduddin, Head of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

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**Sunday 14 July Morning Session**

**10.00 - 1.00**

**English Studies beyond the simple canon of English Literature**

*For this session the workshop will be joined by:*

Dr Scott Brewster, Reader in English & Irish Literature, Salford University

Professor Stephen Regan, Department of English Studies, Durham University

Dr Carla Sassi, Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures, University of Verona

Dr Scott Hames, School of Arts and Humanities, University of Stirling University

Dr Derek Neale, Senior Lecturer in Creative Writing, The Open University

Dr Shafquat Towheed, Department of English, the Open University

**13.00 - 14.00 Lunch**

**Sunday 14 July Afternoon Session**

**2.00 - 4.30**

**Prospects for English Studies in India and the UK**

**4.30 - 5.00**

**Closing Session**

**Workshop Participants**

Professor Richard Allen, Department of English, The Open University, Project Co-Director & Chair of the Workshop

Professor Suman Gupta, Department of English, The Open University & Project Co-Director

Professor Mohammed Asaduddin, Head of English, Jamia Millia Islamia (Delhi)

Tapan Basu, Department of English, Delhi University

Professor Saugata Bhaduri, Chairperson, Centre for English Studies, Jawarharlal Nehru University (Delhi)

Dr Subarno Chattarji, Department of English, Delhi University

Dr Anuradha Ghosh, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia (Delhi)

Professor Makarand Paranjape, Centre for English Studies, Jawarharlal Nehru University (Delhi)

Professor GJV Prasad, Centre for English Studies, Jawarharlal Nehru University (Delhi)

Professor Harish Trivedi, Department of English, Delhi University (Apologies)

Dr Ann Hewings, Director, Centre for Language and Communication, The Open University

Dr Hepzibah Israel, School of Literatures Languages and Cultures, University of Edinburgh

Dr Siobhan Halliday, Associate Lecturer, Faculty of Arts, The Open University

Dr Derek Neale, Department of English, The Open University (Sunday only)

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