

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

7TH ANNUAL STUDENTS' RESEARCH PAPER WRITING & PRESENTATION COMPETITION

2024

(INTER-DEPARTMENTAL)

TOPIC: YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

CONCEPT NOTE:

YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

Young Adult Literature is an increasingly popular category found across all forms of media, covering a variety of genres. Protagonists are usually young adults, engaging with issues relevant to them. High interest, fast-paced young adult literature often hooks teens and others and makes readers out of non-readers. Conceding its depth, artistry, complexity, and its ability to encourage interpretation in terms of theoretical constructs, University syllabus makers have sometimes given it a place in the curriculum.

The multi-layered nature of Young Adult Literature, dealing with complex social, psychological and other issues often encourages multiple interpretations as readers bring their own funds of knowledge to them. Hence Sean P. Connors notes that it is “a potentially sophisticated form of literature that warrants close study in its own right.”

In this year's Students' Research Paper Writing and Presentation Competition, we would like you to reflect on your familiarity with and understanding of Young Adult Literature and choose a topic on this theme that resonates with your interests. By literature, we mean anything that can be understood as communicating and making meaning - it can be a book, a web series, a film, a piece of music or art, a dance, a sporting event, a digital community, ..., anything in electronic form, in performance or in print.

To help you to select your topic, we have listed a few prompts below:

1. Young Adult Web Series, TV shows, movies
1. Campus Novels
2. Fan Fiction and Fandoms
3. Young Adult concerns addressed by pop icons like K-Pop
4. Presentation of Mental health issues of young adults
5. Young Adult Coming of Age.

6. Issues of Gender and Sexuality in Young Adult Literature
7. Body image concerns and representation
8. Graphic Novels, Anime, Manga, Comic Books.

This is not an exhaustive list and you are free to explore your own insights into the theme of Young Adult Literature.

We invite you to write a research paper in 2000 to 3000 words on the theme of **YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE**.

We will have a series of online sessions to guide you through your research.

Students of all departments of the college are welcome to participate.

The **submission details** are as follows:

Last date for registering: **15th March, 2024**

Google form link for registering: <https://forms.gle/c6jTw9Rn9LAjNW1a6>

Date of submission of full paper: **2nd April, 2024**

Date of Presentations: **10th April, 2024**

The paper is to be submitted as a Word document in Times New Roman, font size 12, double spaced. An abstract (within 100 words) must also be submitted with 3 - 5 keywords.

APA stylesheet (7th edition) must be followed for citations and in-text references.

The submission must have a title, your name, college roll number, department and year of study.

Please note that plagiarism will not be allowed above 10%. The plagiarism check will be done through the college.

Submissions are to be mailed to

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By 2nd April, 2024.

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