

<b>CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF INDIAN DIASPORA</b>	
Course : M.Phil./ Ph.D. Semester : I (1 <sup>st</sup> Semester)	Duration: July- December Course Instructor: CSID Faculty
Course Number : SD701 Core/ Optional : Core Course No. of Credits : 4 (Four)	Title of the Course: <b><i>Diaspora Studies: Theories, Contexts, Issues</i></b>

### **Course Description:**

This course attempts to familiarize the research students with certain basic issues and theoretical premise of international migration, transnationalism and diaspora studies. It attempts to introduce the students with certain core themes and questions – histories of Diaspora; the critical processes of transformation of the Diasporic communities; their negotiations for new identities and space in the adopted lands with a simultaneous cultivation of imaginary and real socio-cultural, economic and political ties with the homeland; ethnic and gendered narratives; and the representations and productions of Diasporic communities.

### ***Course Learning Outcomes:***

At the end of the course, the students will be able to:

- Understand the various theories of diaspora, migration and transnationalism.
- Present their views in both written and oral form
- Assess and critique published research papers in peer-reviewed journals
- Interpret ‘diaspora’

### ***Course Outline:***

There are five units in this course

- Unit –I: Theories of Migrations
- Unit-II: Theories of Diaspora
- Unit-III: Theories of Transnationalism
- Unit-IV: Diaspora Studies: Contexts
- Unit-V: Diaspora Studies: Issues

### **Course Evaluation**

- Internal Assessments = 40 marks; End Semester Exam = 60 marks

### **Suggested Reading List:**

Cohen, Robin 1997. *Global Diaspora: An Introduction*. London: UCL Press.

- Daniel Boyarin and Jonathan Boyarin. 1993. "Diaspora: Generation and the Ground of Jewish Identity". *Critical Inquiry*, Vol. 19 (4): 693-725.
- Jana Evans Braziel and Anita Mannur. 2003. "Nation, Migration, Globalization: Points of Contention in Diaspora Studies." In: *Theorizing Diaspora*. Ed. Braziel and Mannur. Oxford: Blackwell, pp. 1-10.
- Kim D. Butler. 2002. "Defining Diaspora, Refining a Discourse," *Diaspora* 10, 189-219.
- Gilroy, Paul. 2003. "The Black Atlantic as a Counterculture of Modernity." In: *Theorizing Diaspora*. Ed. Braziel and Mannur. Oxford: Blackwell, pp. 49-80.
- Stephen Castles and Mark J. Miller. 1998. *The Age of Migration: International Populations Movements in the Modern World*. London: Macmillan.
- Hall, Stuart. 2003. "Cultural Identity and Diaspora." In: *Theorizing Diaspora*. Ed. Braziel and Mannur. Oxford: Blackwell, pp. 233-246.
- Thapan, Meenkashi (ed.). 2005. *Transnational Migration and the Politics of Identity*. New Delhi: Sage.

***Textbooks:***

- Vertovec, Steven and Robin Cohen (eds.). 1999. *Migration, Diaspora and Transnationalism*. London: Edward Elgar.
- Hegde, R. & Sahoo, A. K. (eds.). 2018. *Routledge Handbook of the Indian Diaspora*. New York: Routledge.
- Cohen, Robin. (eds.). 2018. *Routledge Handbook of Diaspora Studies*. London: Routledge Publications.