

CURRICULUM VITAE



SANJIT CHAKRABORTY

Career Objectives:

Make an innovative contribution to philosophy. Keep me continually abreast with recent developments in the discipline. The underlying aspiration of my researches (on Language, Mind, and AI-Morality) is to analyse the methodology of rational and systematic inquisition from a critical analytical altitude that could merge with the phenomenological milieus. Devote myself to instil in each student the desire to work hard and make a sole contribution in their interested areas and expand community conscience for the general welfare of the society.

Teaching:

Teaching Faculty at the *Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata*, January 2020 –

Visiting Faculty, in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, *Indian Institute of Management Indore*, 2019 – January, 2020

Guest Faculty in the Department of Philosophy, *University of Hyderabad*, till May, 2019.

Education:

Ph. D in Philosophy: Awarded, Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, 4th July, 2017.
Title of the thesis: *Mind and World: Beyond the Externalism/Internalism Debate.*

M.Phil. in Philosophy: First Class with Distinction, University of Hyderabad, 2012.
Title of the dissertation: *Meaning and Mind: A Critical Analysis of Semantic Externalism.*

M.A. in Philosophy:	Second Class (59.62%), Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, 2010.
B.A. in Philosophy:	First Class, Secured 1 st rank, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, 2008.
Higher Secondary:	First Division, West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education, 2004.
Secondary:	First Division, West Bengal Board of Secondary Education, 2002.

Fields of Academic and Research Interests:

Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science, Ethics, Phenomenology, and Indian Philosophy.

Publications

Books:

1. *The Labyrinth of Mind and World: Beyond Internalism-Externalism*, London and New York: Routledge, 2020, ISBN- 9780367244323, 232, £ 120.
2. *Understanding Meaning and World: A Relook on Semantic Externalism*, New Castle, London: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016, ISBN- 978-1-4438-9103-5, 140, \$79.95.
3. *Living without God: Multicultural spectrums of Atheism*, Special edition for *Sophia*, Springer, eds. Sanjit Chakraborty and Anway Mukhopadhyay, *Sophia*, Springer, ISSN: 1873-930X (forthcoming June, 2021).
4. *Polylogue on Theism and Atheism*, Special edition for *Sophia*, Springer, eds. Sanjit Chakraborty and Anway Mukhopadhyay, *Sophia*, Springer, ISSN: 1873-930X (forthcoming October, 2021).
5. *Engaging Putnam* with Professor James Conant (University of Chicago), Berlin: De Gruyter, forthcoming, 2021.
6. *Human Minds and Cultures*, Sanjit Chakraborty, (under review)
7. *Language and Morality: Critical Essays* (under review)
8. *Hyphenating the Worlds of Philosophy and Literature*, Routledge Focus Book series, eds. Sanjit Chakraborty and Anway Mukhopadhyay, London, New York: Routledge (under preparation)

Reviews of my Books:

- My book *The Labyrinth of Mind and World: Beyond Internalism-Externalism* (Routledge, 2020) has been reviewed by Professor Simon Blackburn (University of Cambridge) in the *Philosophical Quarterly*, Oxford University Press, 2021, (<https://doi.org/10.1093/pq/pqaa088>).
- My book *The Labyrinth of Mind and World: Beyond Internalism-Externalism* (Routledge, 2020) has been reviewed by Professor Anand Vaidya (San Jose State University) in *Sophia*, Springer, 2021, (<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11841-020-00815-3>).
- Professor Sanford Goldberge (Northwestern University) has given a wonderful endorsement.
- My book *Understanding Meaning and World: A Relook on Semantic Externalism* (Cambridge Scholars, 2016) has been reviewed by Professor Maximilian De Gaynesford (University of Reading), Professor Maria Baghramian (University College Dublin), and Emeriti Professor Yemima Ben-Menachem (Hebrew University).

Published Articles:

1. ‘**Scientific Conjectures and the Growth of Knowledge,**’ *Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research*, Springer, ISSN: 2363-9962, 2021, DOI <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40961-021-00231-z>. Scopus Journal.
2. ‘**Spinning Solitude: Corona versus Philosopher,**’ *Sophia*, Springer, ISSN: 1873-930X, 2020, Scopus Journal, upcoming.
3. ‘**The Fact/Value Dichotomy: Revisiting Putnam and Habermas,**’ *Philosophia*, Springer, Vol. 47, 2019. 369-386, ISSN-0048-3893. Scopus Journal.
4. ‘**Can Humanoid Robots be Moral?**’ *Ethics in Science, Environment and Politics*, Vol -18, September 2018. 49-60, ISBN-1611-8014. Scopus journal.
5. ‘**Quine’s Meaning Nihilism: Revisiting Naturalism and Confirmation Method,**’ *Philosophical Readings*, IX. 3, 2017, 222-229, ISSN- 2036- 4989. Scopus Journal.
6. ‘**Hilary Putnam: An Era of Philosophy Has Ended,**’ *Philosophia*, Springer, Vol. 45, Issue-1, 1-6, March, 2017. ISSN-0048-3893. Scopus Journal.
7. ‘**Remnants of Words in Indian Grammar,**’ *APA Newsletter on Asian and Asian-American Philosophers*, Vol. 18, No 1, Fall 2018, 37-41, ISSN: 2155-9708.
8. ‘**Language Acquisition: Seeing through Wittgenstein,**’ *Indian Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol 45, No. 2-3, 113-126, 2018, ISSN: 0376-415X.
9. ‘**The Prospect of ‘Hope’ in Kant’s Philosophy,**’ *Politeia*, Philosophy Documentation Center, Vol 1, No. 3, Summer 2019, 111-122, ISSN 2653-9055.

10. **‘Animal Rights – “One-of-Us-ness”’: From the Greek Philosophy towards a Modern Stance’**, *Philosophy International Journal*, Medwin Publishers, USA, Vol 1, Issue 2, September, 2018, 1-8, ISBN: 2641-9130.
11. **‘Does Epistemic Naturalism vindicate Semantic Externalism?’- An Epistemological Review’**, *Ravenshaw Journal of Philosophy*, Ravenshaw University, Vol 3, December 2017, 27-37, ISSN- 2395-3209.
12. **‘Critical Thinking: An Approach that Synthesizes Analytic Philosophy,’** *Indian Philosophical Quarterly*, University of Pune, Vol 44, No 1, December, 2017, 67-78, ISSN: 0376-415X. (UGC Journal no: 41591).
13. **‘Wittgenstein and Husserl: Context Meaning Theory,’** *Gauhati University Journal of Philosophy*, Gauhati University, Vol. 1. No. 1, 2016, 101-112, ISSN-2456-3285.
14. **‘Feminism: Confronting a Contradiction’**, *Intellectual Quest*, Vol.7, June, 2017, 32-41, ISSN: 2349-1949.
15. **‘Moral Education: Morality versus Hegemony’**, *International Journal for Applied Ethics*, University of Delhi, Vol 6, 2017-18, 53-65, ISSN: 2321-2497.
16. **‘Buddhist ‘Theory of Meaning’ (Apoha vāda) as Negative Meaning’**, *NEHU Journal*, North Eastern Hill University, Vol XV, No 2, 2017, 67-79, ISSN- 0972-8406.
17. **‘The Idea of A Priori Thinking Revisited,’** *Philosophia e-journal*, September, 17/2017, 70-100, ISSN: 1314-5606.
18. **‘Arbitrary Power: A Moral Failure of Humanity,’** *Nuances International Journal*, Vol, 4, Issue 1, 2018, 15-28, ISSN: 2359-0943.
19. **‘Revisiting the Notion of “Analysis” on the Bedrock of Analytic Philosophy,’** *Philosophy and Progress*, University of Dhaka, Vols. LVII-LVIII, January-June, July-December, 2015, 119-131, ISSN-1607-2278.
20. **‘Saranagoto,’** *Darshan Biksha*, Jadavpur Journal of Philosophy, Vol. 24. No. 2. 2014-2015, 111-122, ISSN-09756833.
21. **‘In the Shadow of Death: Beyond Heidegger’s Subjectivity,’** *Jadavpur Journal of Philosophy*, Jadavpur University, Vol. 23, No.1, 2013-2014, 61-71, ISSN-0975-6833.
22. **‘Knowing the Natural Kind Term: Internalism vs Externalism,’** *Philosophy Pathways*, E-Journal, London, Issue No-177, 2012, ISSN- 2043-0728.
23. **‘The Diversity of Sense: An Appreciation of Frege’s Theory of Sense,’** *Indian Journal of Analytic Philosophy*, Utkal University, Vol. 4, No. 2, 2011, 79-96, ISSN-09762337.

24. **‘Epistemic semblance in Metaphysics’** (under review)
25. **‘Recurring Dilemmas on Other Minds’**, (under review)
26. **‘Pursuit of Belief: Reflecting on Language and World’** (under review)
27. **‘Meta-ethical Innovation of Animal Behaviours’** (under review)
28. **‘Reviving Content: Folly on Mental Representation’** (under review)

Chapters in Edited Books:

1. **‘Darshana’**, in *Keywords for India*, eds. Rukmani Vyasa Nair and Peter deSouza, London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2020, pp, 65-66, ISBN-9781350039230.
2. **‘Guru’**, *Keywords for India*, eds. Rukmani Vyasa Nair and Peter deSouza, London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2020, p. 75, ISBN-9781350039230.
3. **‘Putnam’s Internal Realism: A linguistic Sketch of World,’** in *Language, Mind and Reality: A Reflection on Philosophical Thoughts of R.C Pradhan*, ed. Ranjan Kumar Panda, Boca Raton, Florida: Brown Walker Press, 2016, 179-188, ISBN- 1-62734-567-1.
4. **‘Revisiting Apoha Vāda: Seeing Through the Perspectives of Exclusion and Opposition,’** in *Buddhist Applied Philosophy: 21st –Century Response*, Vol.2, ed. L. Uday kumar, New Delhi: Prestige Books International, 2016, 66-75, ISBN- 978-93-82186-88-5.
5. **‘Understanding Moral Values: Subjective or Objective,’** in *Morality, Objectivity and Defeasibility: the Moral Writings of Professor P. K. Mohapatra*, ed. Ram Chandra Majhi, New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company (p) Ltd, 93-103, 2017, ISBN-9789386682109.
6. **‘The Citizen of Humanity’**, in *Re-Learning to be Human for Global Times: Humanity and the Modern Predicament*, Research in Value and Philosophy (CRVP) Washington, US, forthcoming 2019.

Seminars/Conferences Invited (Abroad):

1. Invited as a speaker at National Institute of Education, NIT, Singapore, forthcoming in November.
2. Invited as a speaker to present a talk on ‘Stepping out Analytical Trend: Revisiting Rorty’s *Philosophy and the Mirror of Nature*’, at Richard Rorty Society, Pennsylvania State University, held on 22nd-24th November, 2019.

3. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Animals Right: Looking back to Greek Philosophy from a Modern Stance**', at Irish Philosophical Society, Carlow College, Ireland, held on 3rd-4th September, 2017.
4. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Can Humanoids be Moral?**' at *Pittsburgh Area of Philosophy Colloquium*, 2017, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, held on 9th September, 2017.
5. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Revisiting Acquaintance: An Epistemological Appraisal**,' at *Fifteenth International Conference on New Directions of the Humanities in a Knowledge Society*, Imperial College London, London, held on 5th - 7th July, 2017.
6. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Entangling Normativity**', at Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference 2017, University of Utah, held on 23rd -24th February, 2017.
7. Invited as a discussant in the workshop '**Personal Identity and Public Policy**', at Future of Humanity Institute and Corpus Christie College, University of Oxford, held on 1st-2nd November, 2016.
8. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Proto-concepts: Seeing Through Animal's Visual Intelligence**', in Inaugural Symposium *Philosophical Understanding of Visual Intelligence*, at Institute for Visual Intelligence, New York, held on 19th November, 2016.
9. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Can Buddhist "Theory of Meaning" (Apohavada) Concord with Negative Meaning**' in *10th Annual International Conference on Languages and Linguistics*, Athens, Greece, held on 3rd-6th July, 2017.
10. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Intersubjective Mode of Consciousness**', in *2016 Australasian Society for Continental Philosophy Conference*, at Deakin University, Melbourne, held on 7th-9th December, 2016.
11. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**A Way to Artificial Intelligence: Denial**', in *7th International Conference on Social Science and Humanities*, at Nanyang Technological University, Nanyang Executive Centre, Singapore, held on 7th-8th November, 2016.
12. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Can Artificial Intelligence cope with Linguistic Acts**', in *7th International Colloquium on the Philosophy of Technics: Technology, Politics, Culture*, at National University of Córdoba, Argentina, held on 18th -21st October 2016.

13. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Sketching Conceptually Contaminated World - Putnam's Idea of Human Face**', in *Northwest Philosophy Conference 2016*, at Gonzaga University, Washington, held on 14th -15th October, 2016.
14. Invited as a paper presenter entitled Quest for '**Universalisability of Morality: An Ethical Stance of Determining Moral Values**' in *WEI International Academic Conference at Harvard University 2016*, at The Harvard Faculty Club, Massachusetts, held on 1st-3rd August, 2016.
15. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Thought as a Mode of Cultural Consciousness: A Linguistic Analysis of Life-World**' in *World Phenomenology Institute's Fortieth Annual Cambridge Conference on Posthumanism and Phenomenology: The Focus on the Modern Condition of Boredom/Solitude/Loneliness/Isolation*, at The Harvard Faculty Club, Massachusetts, held on 8th-10th June, 2016.
16. Invited as a discussant in an international conference on *Investigating Conscious Acquaintance*, New Directions in the Study of the Mind is a new research project at the Faculty of Philosophy in Cambridge, supported by the John Templeton Foundation, at the Senate House, University of London, held on 20th -21st June, 2016.
17. Invited as a discussant in *Humboldt Normativity Conference 2016*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany, held on 27th-29th June, 2016.
18. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Quine's Status of Meaning: Revisiting Putnam's Thoughts**,' in *Ethno-Epistemology Conference 2016*, Institute of General Education and Science, Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, held on 3rd – 5th June, 2016.
19. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Tenseless Sentences: Revisiting Subtraction Principle**,' in *Newton Fund Conference on the Philosophies of Mind, Language & Action, Sao Paulo, Brazil*, held on 19th-23rd September, 2016.
20. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Theory of Meaning: An Analysis of Wittgenstein and Husserl's Thoughts**', in *10th Annual International Conference on Philosophy*, Athens, Greece, held on 25th-28th May, 2015.
21. Invited as a participant in the *19th Annual Oxford Philosophy Graduate Conference*, University of Oxford, held on 13th-15th November 2015.

Seminars/Conferences Participated in India:

1. Invited as a speaker to present a talk on ‘Meta-ethical Innovation of Animal Behaviors,’ in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at Indian Institute of Technology Jammu, to be held on 5th March, 2021.
2. Delivered a presentation entitled ‘**Renewing Ethics: Human and Humanoids**’, in the two days *National Workshop on Design and Innovation in Moral Training* organised by the Department of Philosophy at Ravenshaw University, held on 4th-5th March, 2020.
3. Delivered an invited lecture entitled ‘**New Directions in Artificial Intelligence: Towards an Artificial Ethics**’, in the Department of Sanskrit Studies and Philosophy at Ramkrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute, Belur Math, held on 6th December, 2019.
4. Delivered an invited lecture entitled ‘**Morality and Humanoid Robots: Revisiting Different Ethical Theories**’, at Indian Institute of Management Amhedabad, held on 26th November, 2019.
5. Presented a paper entitled ‘**The Citizen of Humanity**’, in Regional conference on *Re-Learning to be Human for Global Times: Humanity and the Modern Predicament* at Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan, held on 6th-7th January, 2017.
6. Delivered an invited lecture entitled ‘**Artificial Ethics and Humanoids**’ to the *Artificial Intelligence-Natural Language Processing-Machine Learning*, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Patna, held on 18th November, 2016.
7. Presented a paper entitled ‘**Seeing Through Language**’ in Workshop on *Language and Learning* organised by Professor Rukmini Nair & Professor Rajesh Kumar at the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla held on 6th-8th October, 2016.
8. Presented a paper entitled ‘**Language, Meaning and Context Sensitivity: Confronting a “Moving Target”**’ in an *International Conference on The Philosophy of Hilary Putnam* organized by the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay, held on 3rd-5th October, 2015.
9. Presented a paper entitled ‘**Revisiting Self-Knowledge and Externalism**’ in an International Conference on *Self-Knowledge and Moral Identity* organised by the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay, held on 13th-15th January, 2015.

10. Presented a paper entitled '**Wittgenstein and Husserl: Context Meaning Theory**' in a *National Seminar on Wittgenstein* organised by the Department of Philosophy, West Bengal State University, Barasat, held on 19th December, 2014.
11. Presented a paper entitled '**Critical Thinking: An Approach that Synthesizes Analytic Philosophy**' in *One day Seminar on Critical Thinking and Philosophizing (World Philosophy Day Celebration Programme)* organized by Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, held on 20th November, 2014.
12. Presented a research paper entitled '**Development of Semantic Externalism: A Rereview**' in *Graduate Research Meet Programme*, Organized by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, held on October 31st to November 1st, 2014.
13. Presented a joint-research paper entitled '**Global Ethics: An Appreciation of Socio-Cultural Paradigm**' with Sreetama Misra in *Graduate Research Meet Programme*, Organized by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, held on October 31st to November 1st, 2014.
14. Presented a research paper entitled '**Theory of Meaning: Revisiting Frege**' in *Fellows' Meet Programme*, Organised by Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi, held on 2nd- 4th April, 2014.
15. Presented a paper entitled '**Understanding Apoha: An Exclusion or Opposition**' in a National Seminar on *Development of Buddhist Epistemology since Dinnaga* organised by ICPR Centre for Buddhist Studies, Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, held on 16th-17th December, 2013.
16. Presented a paper entitled '**Putnam's Internal Realism: A Linguistic Sketch of World**' in an International Seminar on *Language, Mind, and Reality: A Reflection on Philosophical Thoughts of Professor R.C. Pradhan*, Department of Humanities and Social Science, IIT-Bombay, held on 5th-7th March, 2012.
17. Participated in a Workshop on '**Reading Quine's Two Dogmas of Empiricism**' organised by the ICPR, Lucknow, held on 3rd-12th February, 2014.
18. Participated as a discussant in a two day UGC-CAS National Seminar on '**Language and Mind: 20th Century Perspectives**' Organised by Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, held on 30th-31st January, 2014.
19. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Pinning Down Language in Science**' in the *Philosophy of Science Group India Conference*, TISS, Mumbai, held on 19th-21st December, 2015.

20. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Culture: A Sui Generis Humanistic Notion**' in *International Conference on Language, Literature and Culture*, at Institute of Advanced Studies in English, Pune, held on 3rd-5th February, 2017.
21. Invited as a paper presenter entitled '**Does Epistemic Naturalism vindicate Semantic Externalism?**'- **An Epistemological Review**' in *Two days ICPR National Seminar on Contemporary Epistemological Issues*, ICPR Centre Lucknow, held on 18th-19th January, 2017.

Organized International Conference:

I have organized an *International Conference on the Philosophy of Hilary Putnam*, at the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay from 3rd to 5th October, 2015, in collaboration with Prof. Ranjan Kumar Panda, Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay, sponsored by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi. At this conference, Hilary Putnam himself has delivered his last Skype talk on 'Thought and Language'.

Awards & Scholarships:

1. My Ph. D Research Proposal has been awarded the *Model Project Proposal for Junior Research Fellowship (2016)* by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi.
2. Awarded *Junior Research Fellowship*, Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi, (2013-2015).
3. Awarded The *UGC Post Graduate Merit Scholarship* for University Rank Holder, University Grants Commission, New Delhi (2008-2010).
4. Awarded *University Rank Holder for BA (Philosophy)*, Rabindra Bharati University, 27/08/2008.

Editor and Membership:

- Guest Editor and Reviewer of *Sophia*, Springer, ISSN: 1873-930X
- Editorial Board Member, *Human Affairs Postdisciplinary Humanities & Social Sciences Quarterly*, De Gruyter Open, ISSN: 1210-3055
- Editorial Board Member *Politeia*, Philosophy Documentation Center. ISSN 2653-9047

- Member of the *British Wittgenstein Society*, UK
- Associate Editor of the *Philosophy International Journal*, Medwin Publishers, USA.
- Lifetime member of the *Richard Rorty Society*, USA.
- Lifetime member of the *Society for Study of the History of Analytical Philosophy*.
- Lifetime member of the *International Society for Philosophers*, UK.
- Lifetime member of the *Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research*, New Delhi.
- Survey Member, *The World University Ranking 2019*, *The Times Higher Education*, Elsevier.

Reviewer and Referee position:

- Member of the Book Reviewers of *Routledge Research Philosophy Series*, Routledge, New York.
- Member of the Book Reviewers of *Palgrave Philosophy Series*, Palgrave, New York.
- Referee of the International peer reviewed journal *Research Ethics*, Sage, ISSN: 17470161
- Referee of the International peer reviewed journal *Human Affairs Postdisciplinary Humanities & Social Sciences Quarterly*, De Gruyter Open, ISSN: 1210-3055
- Referee of *Journal of Experimental & Theoretical Artificial Intelligence*, Taylor and Francis, ISSN: 1362-3079
- Referee of the International peer reviewed journal *Sophia*, Springer, ISSN: 1873-930X
- Referee of International peer reviewed semi-annual journal entitled *Culture and Dialogue*, Brill, ISSN: 2222-3282.
- Referee of the International peer reviewed journal *Gnosis*, Department of Philosophy, Concordia University, Canada, ISSN: 1927-5277.
- Referee of the International peer reviewed annual journal *Kriterion*, ISSN: 1981-5336
- Referee of the International peer reviewed *Ethics in Science, Environment and Politics*, ISBN-1611-8014

Languages:

Bengali (Mother tongue), English, Hindi, Sanskrit.

Hobbies and Interests:

Editorial writings in News papers (The Statesman, The Asian Age, Anandabazar, Pratidin, Ei Samay), Social works, Music, Literatures, Games, Cooking, Gardening, and Nature watching.

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