



Double Credit Course *on* Gender and Law

Organised by:
Gender Sensitisation Committee
National Law University Odisha
19.01.2026 to 15.02.2026

About NLUO

National Law University Odisha (NLUO), Cuttack, was established by Act 4 of 2008 by the Odisha State Legislature and started imparting education in law from the academic year 2009-10. The university was established keeping in mind a clearly enunciated vision of advancement of learning, teaching, research, diffusion of knowledge in the field of law, and catering to the needs of society. The university has been continuously working for the betterment of society through various seminars, conferences, consultancy programmes, outreach programmes, etc. In furtherance of the objectives, the University has established various centres and committees of excellence to carry out research, training and extension activities



About GSC

The Gender Sensitisation Committee (GSC) is formed under Rule 3, National Law University Odisha Sexual Harassment Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal Regulations, 2021, to conduct gender orientation programmes in the university at regular intervals. The committee consists of members committed to the cause of gender equality and spreading awareness around the same. The committee intends to make NLUO gender-sensitive and promote inclusivity.

Our committee is one of a kind, which enables discourse around gender, sexuality, consent, and intersectionality in the university. In the past, we have organized movie screenings and discussion nights with eminent historians and human rights activists such as Dr. Uma Chakravarty and Dr. Usha Ramanathan. We conducted sensitization workshops at the university by inviting experts in the field. Every year, we intend to engage the student body through workshops, events, and fun activities and enable discourse in the university around sexuality, feminism, and gender.

Resource Persons



Jwalika Balaji

Jwalika Balaji is a research fellow at the Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, Delhi. She holds a Bachelor of Civil Law (LLM-equivalent) degree from the University of Oxford and a BA LLB (Hons) from the National Law School of India University, Bangalore. She has published in the areas of family law, anti-discrimination law, and human rights in international journals as well as print media. She has given guest lectures at many National Law Universities as well as other law colleges.



Bhavneet Kaur

Bhavneet Kaur is currently an assistant professor at Jindal Global Law School (JGLS). Before joining JGLS, she was a doctoral student and a guest lecturer at the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi. Her research investigates practices of remembrance and the making of the social in Downtown Srinagar, Kashmir. More broadly, her work is anchored around the social anthropology of violence, the politics of emotion, memory studies, affect theory, and gendered violence.



G. Uma

Dr. G. Uma is from the School of Gender and Development Studies at Indira Gandhi National Open University. Her primary focus area is gender and development, with a focus on agriculture and public policy. Central European University has awarded Dr. Uma a fellowship to complete the “Fiscal Decentralisation and Local Financial Management” course. She has 10 years of work experience in the field of governance and development with a gender perspective, which includes six years of teaching experience in the Central and State Universities



Smita Jha

Dr. Smita Jha is currently working as a professor of English in the Department of Humanities & Social Sciences at the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee. She has completed her PhD & PGDTE (Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching English) from CIEFL (Central Institute of English & Foreign Languages), Hyderabad. She has published more than 65 papers in refereed journals of literature like Routledge, SAGE, and OUP. She has organized a number of workshops & symposiums on topics like Translation in Post-Colonial India, Research Methodology, Sociolinguistics, Diaspora, and Women Novelists.



Shivani Mamgain

Shivani Mamgain is a legal educator and PhD scholar at NALSAR University of Law, where their doctoral research is supported by the NALSAR Fellowship. Their research critically examines relationships and intimacies involving gender-marginalized queer people, with a focus on the law's engagement with lived experience. Previously, Shivani served as an assistant professor at National Law University Odisha, teaching courses including Constitutional Law and Law and Queerness. They are working towards an initiative named InQLaw, which is committed to inclusive and accessible legal education and practice.

Introduction

This first edition of the 32-hour double-credit course offers an interdisciplinary introduction to gender and law in India, bringing together conceptual foundations with practical engagement. Learners will engage with key themes: the evolution of gender studies, constitutional protections, reproductive rights, major gender legislation, and institutional mechanisms such as the Internal Committees under the POSH Act. The course also covers emerging concerns at the intersection of gender, technology, and digital governance.

Through a series of interactive modules, participants will explore and learn about the multifaceted approach to gender along with its legal background. Case-study analysis and reflective discussions will help deepen personal insight and foster empathy. The course will consist of lectures and practical assignments for students to gain clarity in the concepts taught in lectures.

By the end of this course, students will be well-versed in interpreting gender norms and the legal and institutional frameworks set up to exercise them and help contribute to an inclusive and gender-sensitive society.

Course Objectives

- Understand foundational concepts in gender studies, including key theories, terminology, and the evolution of gender discourse in India.
- Examine constitutional principles related to gender equality, non-discrimination, and fundamental rights.
- Analyse major gender-related legislations such as laws on sexual harassment (POSH Act), domestic violence, reproductive rights, and personal laws.
- Explore emerging intersections between gender, technology, digital governance, and online safety.
- Foster empathy and ethical engagement in addressing gender-based discrimination within legal and social contexts.

Learning Outcomes

- Assess gendered dimensions of legal issues, demonstrating the ability to spot bias, gaps, or discriminatory impacts in legal processes and outcomes.
- Reflect on the interaction between law and lived experiences, demonstrating empathy, awareness, and ethical understanding.
- Collaborate effectively in group discussions and assignments, demonstrating improved communication and analytical skills in gender-related legal contexts.

Teaching Methods

- Concept Lectures and Presentations
- Brainstorming Exercises
- Case Law-based Studies
- Problem-based Learning Assignments
- Reflection-oriented Learning

Modules

Topic	No. of hours	Sessions
Module 1: Gender, Law, and Constitutional Framework	4 hours	19.01.2026, Monday 20.01.2026, Tuesday
Module 2: Conceptual Foundations of Gender Studies and its Implications in India	4 hours	22.01.2026, Thursday 23.01.2026 Friday
Module 3: Reproductive Rights and Abortion Law	4 hours	24.01.2026, Saturday 25.01.2026, Sunday

Modules

Topic	No. of hours	Sessions
Module 4: The POSH Act 2013 and Institutional Compliance	4 hours	02.02.2026, Monday 03.02.2026, Tuesday
Module 5: Gender Legislation and Institutional Practice	6 hours	06.02.2026, Friday 07.02.2026, Saturday
Module 6: Gender, Technology, and Digital Governance	4 hours	08.02.2026, Sunday 13.02.2026, Friday
Module 7: International Law and Global Gender Frameworks	4 hours	14.02.2026, Saturday 15.02.2026, Sunday

Course Details

- Mode: Online
- Total Duration: 32 Hours
- Dates: 19.01.2026 to 15.02.2026
- Timings: Weekdays: 7-9 P.M.
Weekends: 3-5 P.M.
- Assessment: The course will include a mandatory evaluation of 2 hours, tentatively to be conducted in the first week of March.
- Maximum Marks: 100
- Registration Form Link: [Click Here](#)
- Deadline: 18.01.2026
- Attendance: Participants are required to attend a minimum of 75% of the total lectures conducted.
- Certificate: Participants must secure a minimum score of 50% to receive the certificate.

Registration Procedure

Fees (Students): INR 750

Fees (Professionals): INR 1000

PAYMENT DETAILS:

- Visit <https://eazypay.icicibank.com>
- Enter Institution Name as 'National Law University' and click on 'Go.'
- Fill in the details:
 - Email ID
 - Mobile No.
 - Amount
 - Student Name (Enter your name)
 - Roll or Enrollment No. (Enter your Roll / Enrolment number for NLUO student and enter 131 for others)
 - Semester (Enter your Semester number for NLUO student and enter 11 for others)
 - Enter the Year
 - Enter the Payment Date
 - Enter the Purpose (Mention Double Credit Course on Gender and Law)
- Once the required data is filled in, click on 'Submit' after entering the captcha and OTP.
- After the payment, you will get the auto-generated payment receipt.

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