

# Social Sciences Winter School



in  
Pondicherry



**7-13 December 2014**

## Health and Societal Challenges

Methodological Approaches  
in  
Social Science Research

An Indo-French cooperation project:

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The Social Sciences Winter School in Pondicherry is the result of a long-lasting Indo-French collaboration between Pondicherry University and the French Institute in Pondicherry. It has been designed as a programme of intensive and multidisciplinary training workshops addressing theoretical and methodological issues in social science research.

### Theme

Each year, a cross-cutting theme in the field of social sciences is chosen as a guideline throughout the training workshop. For the 2014 Edition, the following theme has been chosen: "Health and Societal challenges: Methodological Approaches in Social Sciences."

### Programme

The training will run through **five consecutive days** and will be articulated around two poles: the plenary sessions and the methodological-disciplinary workshops, as detailed below-

- **The plenary sessions-** for one day (8<sup>th</sup> December 2014) will have 5-6 oral presentations, presented by experienced, French and Indian researchers. The aim is to present the state of the art, overview of the theoretical and methodological issues on a particular research topic.
- **The methodological and disciplinary workshops-** for the following three full days (9-11 December 2014). Four parallel workshops for small groups will be animated by four international teams of academics. The workshops will discuss theoretical models, text analysis, survey methods and data collection, data analysis, etc. The sub-themes of the workshop include,
  - (W1) Universalisation of health care in India: questions, methods and assessments
  - (W2) Impact evaluation of public health policies and development programmes
  - (W3) Analysis of health controversies in a global context
  - (W4) Outside the archive! Repositioning histories of science, technology and medicine.
- **Knowledge restitution-** The training will end (12 December 2014) with a half-day of knowledge restitution and delivery of certificates to participants.

### Venue

-School of Social Sciences and International Studies (Silver Jubilee Campus), Pondicherry University

### Eligibility

-The Winter School is open to Postgraduates and Doctoral Students of all fields of social sciences. Participants will be selected on the basis of their qualifications, while taking into account the value of the training with regards to their research or professional projects.

### Registration

-The deadline for registration is October 22, 2014.

-Application for registration is available at <http://winterspy.hypotheses.org/>. Supporting documents should be sent by email to [winterschoolpy@gmail.com](mailto:winterschoolpy@gmail.com)

The supporting documents (PDF files only) include:

- full CV
- Copy of Postgraduate degree certificate (final semester students may apply with bonafide certificate from Head of the Department) and current Identity card

-Selected students will be offered round trip train fare (II Sleeper) and accommodation for the duration of the programme in the University campus.

-Registration fees of Rs. 1,000 payable at Pondicherry University (Demand Draft) after the selection process is over.

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