



Dr. Ranjini Basu

Dr. Ranjini Basu is a gold medalist both in graduation (1990) and post graduation (1992) from Jadavpur University. In post graduation her specialisation was logic, both Indian (Nyaya philosophy) and western. After post graduation she did her M.Phil from the same university. During this time a developing area in the world of philosophy especially in the western world, was cognitive science and she got an exposure to this area in her M.Phil classes. Cognitive science is that branch of philosophy which deals with the workings of the mind, analysing mind as a computing machine. She developed a keen interest in this area and presented her M.Phil thesis paper on *Computational Conception of Mind* in 1994. Later in 1997 she qualified in the SLET examination and became a research fellow in the department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University in 1998. As a research fellow she had to work not only on her research, but also had to take classes and make seminar presentations. While doing her PhD, she joined Kishore Bharati Bhagini Nivedita College (Co-Ed) as an Assistant Lecturer in the substantive post in 2002. In 2003 she submitted her thesis titled *Intentionality, Representation and Meaning (From Computational Point of View)* and in 2004 she was awarded the doctoral degree. She is teaching in this college for the last twenty two years and is taking undergraduate classes on Indian philosophy, Western philosophy, Ethics, Social philosophy, Philosophy of Religion and Psychology. She has edited and published books like *Manone Rabindranath* (ed.2011, ISBN 978-93-82663-35-5), *Mind And Computers:A Comparative Study* (2011, ISBN:978-93-8168-28-7) *Representational Mind* (2014, ISBN:978-93-81686-38-6), presented papers titled *Language of Thought* (2015), *Social Impact of Science Museums* (2015) in international seminars. Since 2013 and till date, she is also regularly taking post graduation classes in the University of Calcutta as a guest lecturer.