



# INICIO- 2025

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE & STUDENTS MEET

**Understanding & Promoting Early Childhood Care and  
Development: A Right Start for Every Child**



Organized by  
**The Department of Social Work  
St. Joseph's College (Autonomous),  
Irinjalakuda, Kerala, India**



**21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025**

**Venue : Padmabhushan Fr.Gabriel Seminar Hall  
(Research Block)**

## About the College

St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Irinjalakuda, Kerala, India is a college for women, affiliated to the University of Calicut and managed by St. Joseph's Educational Society of the Congregation of Holy Family, founded in 1964. The College was awarded 'Autonomy' in March 2016 and was certified as a 'College with Potential for Excellence' by UGC in April 2016. The College, which is an answer to the ever increasing demand for higher education among young ladies, re-accredited in the fourth cycle at A++ level with 3.66 in 2023 by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) - an autonomous institution under the U.G.C. Ranked 85<sup>th</sup> in NIRF: a testament to our commitment to Quality Education.

## Department of Social Work

The inception of the Department of Social Work was on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2002, offering Postgraduate Programme (MSW), and added Bachelor's Degree (BSW) in 2014. The Department is deep rooted in the great demand of quality and value based higher education, with multi-faceted action plan by giving importance to the mission of our college, "to groom academically and globally competent women". The Department promotes a culture that supports professional grooming, freedom of initiation, and innovative learning and in an atmosphere of mutual respect, trust, and cultural enrichment.

## Main Theme of the Conference

**Understanding & Promoting Early  
Childhood Care and Development:  
A Right Start for Every Child**

**INICIO 2025, is being organized in a hybrid mode, with the resource persons addressing the sessions in both online and offline formats**

## Sub Themes

1. Early Detection and Intervention
2. The Role of Family and Caregivers in Development
3. Nutritional Foundation for Early Development
4. Addressing the misconceptions in Early Childhood Development
5. Developmental Benefits of Breastfeeding in Early Childhood
6. Essential Practices in Neonatal Care for Optimal Infant Health
7. Nutritional Interventions for Preventing Malnutrition in Early Childhood
8. Parenting Strategies for Optimizing Early Childhood Development
9. Cultural Influences on Early Childhood Development
10. Maternal Health and It's Impact on Developmental Milestones
11. Resource Institutions and their role in Early Childhood Development
12. Importance of LSG Institutions in Early Childhood Development and it's impacts
13. Technology and Early Childhood Development
14. Relevance of Play in Early Childhood
15. Policy and Advocacy in Early Childhood

## Guidelines

- Paper should be prepared in APA 7<sup>th</sup> style
- Abstract not exceeding 250-300 words
- Submission must be original and should not have been published elsewhere
- The full paper should contain 3000 words



### Days to Remember

**Submission of Abstract : 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Acceptance of Abstract : 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024**

**Submission of Full Paper: 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Send papers to : [inicio@stjosephs.edu.in](mailto:inicio@stjosephs.edu.in)

*Best Paper will be awarded*

## Events (22nd January 2025)

### Face Painting Competition

**Theme :** Mother and Child: Paint a design featuring a mother and child, symbolizing the special bond between them.

Registration Fees : 200/-

First Prize : 2000/-

Second Prize : 1000/-

### Poster Making Competition

**Theme :** Nurturing Young Minds : Early Childhood Care and Development Stimulations for a Brighter Future

Registration Fees: 200/- for team of 2 members

First Prize : 2000/-

Second Prize : 1000/-

### Theme Dance Competition

**Theme :** Breaking the silence: Child Abuse Prevention

Registration Fees:1500/-

First Prize: 10,000/-

Second Prize: 5000/-

Third Prize : 2000/-

### Street Play Competition

**Theme:** Promoting Early Childhood Care and Development

Registration Fees: 500/-

First Prize: 5000/-

Second Prize: 3000/-

### Treasure Hunt

Registration Fees:500/-

First Prize: 2000/-

### Mime Competition

**Theme :** Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges : Address the challenges facing by young children with Disabilities or special needs, promoting -inclusions, acceptance and support

Registration Fees: 500/-

First Prize : 3000/-

Second Prize: 2000/-

**20% Discount for Josephites**

Registration Link :

<https://forms.gle/zPHtbZ7BQTCNgyhq8>

## Registration Fees

Offline & Online Participation For UG & PG Students : 750/- (\$ 9)

Offline & Online Participation For Research Scholars, Academicians and Practitioners : 1000/- (\$ 12)

Offline Paper Presentation : 1500/-

Online Paper Presentation : 1200/- (\$15)

### Payment of Registration Fees can be made to

Account No.: 16330100033490

IFSC Code: FDRL0001633

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