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This month, the Department of English has been actively involved in both academic and cultural pursuits, fostering a vibrant atmosphere of learning and engagement. The department successfully hosted a conference under the ICSSR-funded research project on Gerontology, bringing together scholars to explore this vital interdisciplinary field. Additionally, a special lecture on Scottish Literary Studies was organised, featuring distinguished academicians who addressed the postgraduate students and enriched their academic experience. Alongside these initiatives, the department also witnessed a flourishing of cultural activities, further contributing to the holistic development of its academic community.



The Department organised a one-day conference titled **"Redefining Ageing: Towards Narrativizing New Generic Formations"** on 30th May 2025, as part of the ICSSR-sponsored research project. The event featured thought-provoking sessions conducted by renowned academicians, contributing valuable insights to the evolving discourse on ageing and



Dr. Manabi Bandyopadhyay, a renowned academician and social activist, delivered a special lecture at the Centre for Tagore Studies on 23rd May 2025. Her insightful address added great value to the academic discourse and inspired meaningful reflections among students and faculty alike.

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The poster is framed by a decorative border with a green and grey plaid pattern. At the top left is a floral illustration, and at the top right is a green leaf illustration. The central text reads: "Swami Vivekananda University Department of English ON MODERN SCOTTISH POETRY: ALAN RIACH AND BASABI FRASER". Below this, a green box contains the text "2.30 pm IST" and "7TH MAY 2025". At the bottom, there are two circular portraits: on the left, Prof. Basabi Fraser, a woman with dark hair, and on the right, Prof. Alan Riach, a man with glasses wearing a rainbow scarf. Below each portrait is their name and affiliation: "PROF. BASABI FRASER EDINBURGH NAPIER UNIVERSITY" and "PROF. ALAN RIACH UNIVERSITY OF GLASSGOW".

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**ON MODERN SCOTTISH POETRY:
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7TH MAY 2025


PROF. BASABI FRASER
EDINBURGH NAPIER UNIVERSITY


PROF. ALAN RIACH
UNIVERSITY OF GLASSGOW

Professor Alan Riach from the University of Glasgow and Professor Basabi Fraser from Edinburgh Napier University delivered a special lecture for the postgraduate students of the Department of English.

The lectures focused on the history of modern Scottish poetry and the works of Carol Ann Duffy in the context of contemporary Scottish literature, offering students valuable insights into Scotland's rich literary tradition.