The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, invites abstracts for Anviksha, its inaugural Research Scholars' Conference on the theme “Boundaries”. The multidisciplinary conference will seek to explore borders in their material forms as well as ideas of boundaries or borders as they inform a range of domains such as modes of sociality, political discourse, identity formation, and literary and aesthetic production.

Proposals are invited from research scholars in the Humanities and Social Sciences at any institution. Interested candidates may submit abstracts of no more than 300 words by November 25, 2023. Abstracts (with 3 keywords) are to be submitted as a doc/pdf attachment to arsciitk@gmail.com. Please ensure that the names of authors, institutional affiliations and any other potentially identifying information are present only in the body of the email and NOT in the abstract. In the subject line of your email, please include under which discipline (English/ Philosophy/ Sociology/ Psychology/ Fine Arts) the submission is being made.

Candidates whose abstracts have been accepted will be informed over email by December 15, 2023. The conference will be held on the 3 - 4th of February, 2024 at IIT Kanpur.
Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Cultural hybridity and Globalization
- Migration and Social Integration
- Environmental Borders
- Partition studies
- Boundaries of memory, trauma and healing
- Aesthetic and generic boundaries
- Intersectionality and Identity
- Gender Binaries
- Disability and the boundaries of possibility
- Self and the Other
- Freedom and constraints
- Epistemic and ontic boundaries
- Human limits
- Policing boundaries
- Boundaries and exchange relations
- Transboundary water politics
- The problem of demarcation in the philosophy of science
- Family, Marriage and Kinship
- Disciplinary boundaries in Fine Arts/Art History
- Craft/Art division and correlation

Registration Fees for Participants: ₹800/.

Accommodation will be provided on twin-shared basis in the guest rooms of the student hostels. The registration fee includes the cost of accommodation and the conference dinner. All participants will be reimbursed their travel expenses up to ₹2000.

Important Dates:

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Intimation of selected abstracts: December 15, 2023
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