



# Purbanchal University Faculty of Education Announces

## International Conference on: Envisioning Early Childhood Development Ecosystem in Nepal

(DECEMBER 6 - 7, 2024)

### CALL FOR PAPERS

Purbanchal University (PU), Faculty of Education is honored to host the Early Childhood Development (ECD) Conference for the first time in Biratnagar, the capital of Koshi Province, Nepal. PU, established in 1994, is a public university of Nepal. The Faculty of Education (FoE) at PU has grown to be the centre of education on teaching and learning in the country, offering the most comprehensive array of Undergraduate/Graduate programs. The Faculty of Education aspires to lead the study and practice of education, to influence public policy and improve community life through education, and to nurture graduates who are passionately committed to their professions. It is expected that any form of early childhood program embodies a developmentally appropriate practice that adheres to health, nutrition, protection, responsive care, and learning for children from conception to eight years of age and their parents and caregivers.

To ensure the constitutional rights, government of Nepal has developed a national early childhood development strategy 2020-30. The strategy has been developed to guide the formulation and implementation of policies, plans, and programs in the federal, provincial, and local level. Despite the affirmative policies, most of the children are not enjoying their developmental rights. In this context, an international conference has been envisioned by the faculty of Education, Purbanchal University to bring policymakers, academia, and practitioners together to create a discourse on improving the quality and accessibility of developmental opportunities to early age children. The aim to conduct this conference is to delve into the structural, cultural, epistemological, and institutional challenges and opportunities encountered by the ECD researchers, practitioners and policy makers who are willing to change in the ECD ecosystem. Furthermore, it seeks to explore practice gaps and shifts in approaches and envision the future trajectory of quality ECD approaches through research. The outcome of the conference is expected to establish a specialized centre for the study of ECD in Nepal.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Call For Abstract	10 November, 2024
Notification of Abstract Acceptance	15th November, 2024
Full Paper Submission Deadline	25th November, 2024
Registration Opens	25th October, 2024

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FOR SUBMISSION

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#### CONFERENCE LOCATION

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# Envisioning Early Childhood Development Ecosystem in Nepal

## Themes

- Advocacy and Public Policy
- Family Engagement and Parenting Education
- Children with Special Needs (disabilities) and Early Intervention
- Teacher / Educator Preparation
- Professional Development – Training and Technical Assistance
- Social and Emotional Development / Trauma, Stress and Resilience
- Professionalism and Ethics
- Program Administration, Evaluation, and Financial Management
- Teaching and Instructional Practices
- Climate change and its Impact
- Innovations in ECD

## Submission Guidelines

- The word limit for abstract is between 250-350 words and the text must be typed in standard British English in Times new roman font, font size 12 point.
- The final manuscripts must be plagiarism checked by the authors themselves before submission, any form of plagiarism shall not be accepted.
- The word limit for final paper is between 5000-7000 including citations and bibliography.
- The paper must adhere to the standard disciplinary format and also be informative in terms of research, theory development, analysis or policy suggestions.

## Key Features

- Keynote addresses and plenary sessions
- Paper Presentations
- Theme based workshops
- Panel Discussions
- Display of ECD Materials

## Workshops

- Socio-emotional Learning
- Play
- Language and Literacy
- Early Interventions
- Assessment
- Music and Movement
- Relationship and Communication
- Early Identification and Intervention for Children with Disabilities
- Brain Development and Early Stimulation



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## Visa, Travel and Accommodation and Registration Fees

### Visa Procedure

The International participants are kindly requested to contact Nepalese Embassy or Consulate in respective country to process for the visa. The details of the visa process is available at <http://online.nepalimmigration.gov.np/>

### TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Biratnagar, the capital City of Koshi Province, Nepal is situated in south-eastern corner of Nepal and also a well-known industrial hub with great historical and political significance in Nepal. It can be reached by road in 10-12-hour drive or by air in 40 minutes from Kathmandu, the capital city of Nepal. Those travelling from India can use Bagdogra Airport of West Bengal and take three-hour drive from there. If one uses Jalpaigudi railway station, it takes four-hour drive from the train station. The nearest Indian railway station from Biratnagar is Jogbani that can be reached by 15-minute drive.

The organizer does not have provision of providing travel grant to the paper presenter we are pleased to offer twin sharing accommodation for paper presenter.

<u>Registration Fees</u>	Early Bird Fees		Regular Fees	
	Countries	Non Students Fees	Students Fees	Standard Fees
Other than SAARC	USD 200	USD 100	USD 300	USD 150
SAARC Counties	USD 100	USD 50	USD 200	USD 100
Nepal	NRs 3000	NRs 2000	NRs 5000	NRs 3000

\*Early bird fees till November 25.

\*Standard fees from November 26.