



# CONFLUENCE

ST. BERCHMANS COLLEGE, CHANGANACHERRY

2026

## Exploring Human Connections for a Sustainable Future



13-14 January 2026



St. Berchmans College  
Changanacherry

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# St Berchmans College

**AUTONOMOUS** | College with Potential for Excellence | A+ in the Fifth Cycle of Reaccreditation by NAAC

Changanacherry, Kerala, India 686101 | Affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

## About the Conference

Confluence 2026 is an opportune time to talk about research and teaching in the same breath! The Two-day International Conference aims to foster the exchange of ideas and collaborations across all disciplines of science and the humanities. Confluence 2026 is a welcome initiative to build interdisciplinary bridges that can enhance the quality of research within academia. It envisions blurring the boundaries of the disciplines of Science, Technology, and Humanities to discourse and disseminate knowledge in a seamless manner

*We are immensely pleased to invite students, research scholars, scientists, and faculty members to register for the event and actively participate.*

## Conference objectives

- ▶ To promote interdisciplinary collaboration among researchers and institutions.
- ▶ To foster discussions on sustainability through scientific and humanistic perspectives.
- ▶ To exchange ideas and innovations that can address global, social, economic, and environmental challenges.
- ▶ To highlight the role of education, ethics, and technology in shaping a sustainable future.

## About the College

St Berchmans College is the first higher education institution of the Archdiocese of Changanacherry. This institution was founded in 1922. The College is recognized under sections 2 (f) and 12 (B) of the UGC Act 1956. The College was first accredited with 'Five Star' in 1999 and reaccredited with 'A+' in 2006. In the third cycle of accreditation in 2012, the college was graded at A. In the fourth cycle in 2017, the college was again reaccredited with 'A' grade. In the fifth cycle of accreditation in 2023 the college was graded 'A+' among Autonomous colleges.

The University Grants Commission (UGC) and the Government of Kerala granted autonomy to the college in the year 2014. In 1996 and 1997, it won the coveted "R Shankar Award" for the Best College in the State, instituted by the Government of Kerala. In 2004, the UGC identified the College under its "College with Potential for Excellence" scheme. The National Commission for Minority Educational Institution, New Delhi has granted minority status to the college in 2010. All the Science Departments are supported by the FIST of DST, Government of India.

The College is ranked 56th by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF 2025), MoE, Government of India and 5th by the Kerala Institutional Ranking Framework (KIRF 2024), Government of Kerala. The College offers 15 UG and 22 PG Programs with 2988 students and 195 teaching staff. We have 10 research departments offering PhD Programs. Currently 163 research scholars are pursuing research and 207 PhDs have been produced from the college.



## KEY THEMES & TOPICS

### Science & Technology

- ▶ Physical Sciences
- ▶ Chemical Sciences
- ▶ Biological Sciences
- ▶ Environmental Sciences
- ▶ Mathematical Sciences
- ▶ Computer Science
- ▶ Geological Studies

### Humanities & Social Sciences

- ▶ Management Studies
- ▶ Commerce
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ Politics & History
- ▶ Social Work
- ▶ Psychology, Philosophy & Ethics
- ▶ Disability Studies
- ▶ Language and Literature Studies
- ▶ Media and Cultural Studies
- ▶ Library Science



## Who Should Attend

- ▶ Scientists
- ▶ Research scholars
- ▶ Students
- ▶ Educators
- ▶ Policymakers
- ▶ NGOs
- ▶ Media Professionals

## Call for Papers

Researchers, academicians, and practitioners are invited to submit abstracts and full papers related to the conference themes. Selected papers will be considered for publication in peer-reviewed journals or conference proceedings. Register online and submit your abstract and full paper by email to **confluence@sbcollege.ac.in**

Abstract Submission Deadline	:	<b>05 December 2025</b>
Full Paper Submission Deadline	:	<b>20 December 2025</b>
Notification of Acceptance	:	<b>30 December 2025</b>

## Why Attend ?

Join global thinkers, educators, scientists, and changemakers to explore how the Interdisciplinary studies can build bridges between innovation and human values, ensuring a sustainable future.

## Registration Fee (Per participant)

Delegate Category	Fee (in Rs.)	(In USD \$)
Students (Participation only)	250	5
Students - Paper presentation	600	10
SB Research Scholars	800	15
Research Scholars	1200	20
Faculty/Academicians	1500	25
Industry Experts	2500	30

TO REGISTRATION



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**Accommodation:** Participants are encouraged to book their accommodation independently using online platforms for hotels located in Changanassery and Kottayam. Student accommodation can be arranged at special rates upon request during the online conference registration process.

## GUIDELINES FOR PAPER SUBMISSION

The following requirements for submission of manuscripts to the conference must be strictly adhered to by the contributors. Manuscripts not following the guidelines will automatically be rejected.

- ▶ A soft copy of the paper for consideration for publication should be emailed to “**confluence@sbcollege.ac.in**” with subject the med on “Exploring Human Connections for a sustainable future”
- ▶ Manuscript should be a word file with 1.15 line spacing with 1 and 1/2" wide margin on the left and 1/2" on the right. Font size for headings should be 14, for sub headings and text should be 12 in Times New Roman font. Manuscripts should not exceed 3000 words.
- ▶ The cover page of the manuscript must contain the title of the paper, author's name, email address, professional affiliation, and acknowledgements, if any.
- ▶ The first page of the paper must also provide the title of the paper.
- ▶ Every manuscript must include 250 - 350 words abstract and 4 - 6 key words.
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  - ▶▶ **Journal Article** : Niepel, C., Hausen, J. E., Weber, A. M., & Möller, J. (2025). Understanding mean-level and intraindividual variability in state academic self-concept: The role of students' trait expectancies and values. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 117(5), 772–788. <https://doi.org/10.1037/edu0000946>
  - ▶▶ **Authored Book**: Levenson, H., Jinich, S., Vaz, A., & Rousmaniere, T. (2025). Deliberate practice in emotionally focused couple therapy. *American Psychological Association USA*. <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000436-000>
  - ▶▶ **Edited Book Chapter**: Zeleke, W. A., Hughes, T. L., & Drozda, N. (2020). Home-school collaboration to promote mind– body health. In C. Maykel & M. A. Bray (Eds.), *Promoting mind-body health in schools: Interventions for mental health professionals* (pp. 11–26). American Psychological Association. <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000157-002>
- ▶ It is assumed that the papers submitted are the original work of authors & no copyright has been violated.
- ▶ All manuscripts will be subjected to pre-screening of plagiarism check for which similarity index should be less than 20%.
- ▶ Selected papers will be recommended for publication in Scopus indexed or other peer reviewed journals subject to the editorial policies of the journals and in Conference proceedings with ISBN. The publication costs must be borne by the authors.
- ▶ Best paper certificate will also be awarded in every track.

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