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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Pratyusha Das is an Associate Professor of Xavier Law School, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata. At Xavier Law School, she has also worked as a Dean and Assistant Professor in Law. Before joining Xavier Law School, she has worked as an Assistant Professor in various Universities of repute which includes KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, Amity University Kolkata, West Bengal. She authored a book titled '*Forensic Evidence: Admissibility in Criminal Justice System*' published by Eastern Law House, Kolkata. Prior to her appointment as an Assistant Professor (Law) she worked as a Project Fellow in the UGC-UPE Major Research Project. Titled: "*Use of Forensic Science in the Administration of Justice in India: A futuristic Study*". She has presented papers at various conferences and seminars.

Areas of Specialisation and Research

Dr. Das possesses experience of teaching both graduate and undergraduate students as well as professionals. She has also guided and supervised dissertations of graduate students submitted as a part of their LL.M. dissertations.

Her area of specialization includes Criminal law and Law of Evidence with special interest in the areas of Business Law, Property Law, Law of Contracts etc.

She also possesses teaching experience in Law of Evidence, Criminal Law, Cyber Crime and Cyber Forensic, State Regulations of Business, Administrative Law, Property Law, Law of Contracts, Law of Torts, Intellectual Property in both under graduate and graduate courses.

Administrative Responsibility

- She has been the Dean of Xavier Law School, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata since October, 2021.
- Acted as an Internship Coordinator and aided in internship matters.
- Acted as an Examination Committee Member and Honorary Member and performed examination processing roles and supervision.

- As the Programme Co-ordinator, provided specialised administrative support in the development, implementation of various programmes/courses (including preparation of Time table/routine), served as a central point of contact between students, faculty, staff, other departments and/or on day to day programmatic, operational and administrative matters; assisting with seminars, meetings. Co-ordinated activities of students, faculty members and staffs, volunteered and engaged in implementation of course and thus accomplished cooperative community projects including Legal Aid Service to the underprivileged section of the society.

Publications

Book(s) Authored

- (2019) **FORENSIC EVIDENCE: ADMISSIBILITY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM** (Pratyusha Das), Eastern Law House, Kolkata, ISBN: **978-81-7177-346-6**

Article published in Peer-reviewed journals

- (2012) **“Use of Forensic Techniques of Polygraphy, Narcoanalysis and Brain Mapping under Indian Legal Regime: A Review of Supreme Court Decision of Selvi Case in Human Rights Perspective”**, Indian Human Rights Law Review, a Peer Reviewed Referred Journal, (Dr. Nirmal Kanti Chakraborty, Dr. Arup Ratan Bandopadhyay & Pratyusha Das), Volume III, No.1 , Pp. 13-27, ISSN: 2230 –7036
- (2013) **“Preventive Forensic Emerging Trends and Issues”**, Calcutta Law Times, (Prof. N. K. Chakraborty & Ms. Pratyusha Das), Volume 3, Part I, Pp. 1-7, ISSN: 0971 – 748X.
- (2015) **“Role of DNA Evidence in the Decision Making Process of Criminal Cases”**, Calcutta Law Times, (Pratyusha Das & Prof. N. K. Chakraborty), Volume 2, Part II, Pp. 21-29, ISSN: 0971 – 748X
- (2017) **“Counter Strategy to Combat Terrorism: A Study from the Religious and Ethical Perspective”**, Indian Journal of Law and Justice, (Dr. Pratyusha Das), Volume 8, No. 1 , Pp. 69-79, ISSN: 0976 – 3570
- (2017) **“The Role of DNA Evidence in Determining Paternity in India: A Study of Cases from the Legal and Scientific Perspective”**, Patna University Journal of Law, (Dr. Pratyusha Das), Volume 8, Pp. 73-86, ISSN: 2230 – 8415
- (2022) **“Evidence By Doctors: Legal Implications Through Case Analysis”** Journal of Indian Medico Legal And Ethics Association, (Dr. Pratyusha Das), Volume 10, Issue : 02, Pg 39-46, ISSN: 2347-7458

- (2022) **“The Importance Of Digital Forensics In Admissibility Of Digital Evidence”** NUJS Journal of Regulatory Studies, (Dr. Pratyusha Das & Pradeepta Sarkar) Volume VII Issue II Pg 60-75, ISSN:2456-4605 (O)
- (2022) **“Child Rights and Procedures to be followed under UN Convention on Child Rights”** Indian Human Rights Law Review, (Dr. Pratyusha Das) Volume XIII No. 1 & 2, Pg 36-47, ISSN: 2230-7036
- (2023) **“Juveniles To Be Tried As Adults- Is it Easy to Decide”** International Journal of Advance Research and Innovative Ideas in Education (IJARIIE) International (Dr. Pratyusha Das, Dr. Jyoti Puri) Vol-9 Issue-3 Pg 2930-2935, ISSN (O)-2395-4396
- (August 2023) **“Revisiting the Law on Presumption vis-à-vis Rights of Children: A Case Analysis”** CMR University Journal For Contemporary Legal Affairs (Dr. Pratyusha Das) ISSN 2582-4805 Volume 5 Issue 2
- (2023) **“Understanding Juvenile Delinquency: A Critical Study of Juvenile Justice (Care And Protection) Act 2015”**, Calcutta Law Times (Dr. Pratyusha Das) ISSN No. 0971-748X Volume 2
- (2023) **“Parole During COVID-19: A Reflection of Prison Retrogression”** CSI LAW JOURNAL (Dr. Pratyusha Das) Volume 6
- (2024) **“Role of Patent System for Economic Development of Country”**, St Xaviers University Kolkata Journal of Interdisciplinary Research ((Dr. Pratyusha Das) ISSN No.2584-055X Volume 2 Issue 1
- (2025) **Leveraging AI in the Criminal Justice System through Its Application in Criminology**, International Journal of Advance Research and Innovative Ideas in Education (IJARIIE) International Peer Reviewed Journal (Dr. Pratyusha Das) Vol-11 Issue-2 Pg 2930-2935, ISSN (O)-2395-4396

Book Chapters

- (2021) **“Impact of Banking Frauds on Indian Economy: A Legal and Economic Analysis of Current Prosecution Mechanisms”** Economic Analysis of Law (Dr. Pratyusha Das and Pradeepta Sarkar) Thomson Reuters ISBN 978-93-91340-17-9
- (2021) **“Tribal Communities and Forests Lands: Need of Law for a Sustained Symbiotic Relationship”** Tribal and Environmental History of India: New Perspectives (Dr. Pratyusha Das and Aratrika Chakraborty) Research India Press New Delhi ISBN: 978-93-5171-013-4

Conferences Attended and Presented Papers

- **First International Conference in Criminology & Criminal Justice** organized by University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka on 3-4 October, 2024. Paper presented on AI in Criminology

- **International Conference on Trends in Forensics, Law and Criminology: Empowering Criminal Justice in 21st Century and Beyond** organized by The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences from 20th to 22nd March 2024 at Kolkata, India. Paper presented under the title **“Forensic Justice through DNA: Evaluations and Shortcomings in the Criminal Justice System.**
- **International Conference on “Integrating Ignatian Pedagogy into Research and Practice”** organized by St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata on 11th & 12th December 2021. Paper presented under the title **“The Concept of Justice: A Case-by-Case Study of Courts Upholding Ignatian Philosophy”**
- **11th National E-Conference 2021 on “Contemporary Legal Issues and Reflections amidst the Pandemic”** held on January 22 – 23, 2021, organised by Christ (Deemed to be University). Paper presented under the title of **“Parole during COVID-19: A reflection on Prison Retrogression”**
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- **International Asian Law and Economics Association Conference 2019: Law and Economics in a Disruptive World (ASLEA Conference 2019)”** held on 27th to 28th June, 2019, organised by Faculty of Conference on “Law, Chulalongkorn University, Phayathai Road, Pathumwan, Bangkok – 10330, Thailand. Paper presented under the title of **“Impact of Banking Frauds on Indian Economy and its Prosecution Mechanism”**.
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- **1st National Seminar on “Human Rights and Administration of Justice”** held on 13th April, 2019 organised by Amity Law School, Amity University, Kolkata. Paper presented under the title of **“The Impact of Law on Hazardous Waste Management in Health and Environment Protection: A Critical Analysis”**.
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- **National Seminar on “Environment and Tribal History of India”** held on 2nd to 4th October, 2017 organised by Department of History, Faculty of Social Science, Benaras Hindu University. Paper presented under the title of **“Tribal Communities & Forest Lands/Need of Laws for a Sustained Symbolic Relationship”**.
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- **International Seminar on “Social Stratification and Political Transformation: Rethinking Indian Democracy”** held on 10th to 11th November, 2016, organised by Department of Political Science, Bankura University, West Bengal in collaboration with Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi. Paper presented under the title of **“Counter Strategy to Combat terrorism: A Study from the Religious and Ethical Perspective”**.

Key Achievements

- Has been invited as a resource person in Regional Law Review Consultation for National Commission for Women, Government of India on the topic “Cyber Laws Affecting Women” on 8th November 2024, at WBNUJS Campus, Kolkata
- Invited to deliver a lecture to teachers in a short-term program invited by Jadavpur University on Trials of Criminal Cases under BNSS organized by UGC-MMTTC, and Jadavpur University on September 21, 2024.

- Invited as a speaker in the 2nd National Workshop on Non-Doctrinal Legal Research Methodology organized by JECRC University, Jaipur, India on 30th March, 2024 on the topic “Methodological Innovations in Non-Doctrinal Legal Research”
- Invited as a panelist in the Two-Day National Seminar on “Contemporary Issues and Challenges in Environmental Legislations in the Current Decade (2020-2029) organized by Department of Legal Science Techno India University, West Bengal on 23rd February, 2024.
- Has been a keynote speaker in the 1st National Faculty Development Programme, on “Empowering Legal Education Through Outcome-Based Teaching and Assessment” held on 9th January 2024 at Chandigarh Law College, Jhanjeri
- Completed a legal consultancy project with Macarav Infrastructures India Pvt. Ltd. a renowned Infrastructure company for the year 2022-2023.
- Has been a resource person in Eastern Region Law Review Consultation on Marriage and Divorce Laws across Communities in India as a Resource Person organized by National Commission for Women in collaboration with The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS) held on 07th November, 2023.
- Has been Advisory Board Member of International Conference on Law and Emerging Issues (ICLEI), organised by School of Law - AURO University from 24th August 2023 to 25th August 2023.
- Acted as a Co-Chair a session on Cybercrimes and Cyber Forensics: A New Era of Technology and Risks at the 43rd All India Criminology Conference 2022 organised by The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata (WBNUJS)
- Has been a Resource Person in a Capacity Building Program of Child Protection Policy (CPP) at Seva Kendra (SKC) Kolkata on 16th July, 2022
- Has been a speaker for the professionals in Medico-Legal Course during the session titled Indian Evidence Act held during the tenure of 22nd July, 2022 to 10th September, 2022 and developed online course on Law of Evidence for Doctors. Also been a delegate IMLEACON International e-Conference of IMLEA held from 4th to 6th December, 2020.
- Delivered lecture as resource person in MDP (Management Development Program) organized by St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata. Delivered lecture on Legal Considerations- IPR, Consumer Protection, etc. on 9th December, 2022
- Previously been part of the Virtual Consultation on Criminal Law Reforms organised by the School of Criminal Justice Administration at The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS) on 23rd August, 2020.
- Acted as a Chair at the 1st National Seminar on Human Rights and Administration of Justice, 2019 organized by Amity Law School, Amity University, Kolkata.