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"Students and faculty are involved in activities which generate new knowledge systems and provide much needed understanding of diachronic and synchronic perspectives within the field of Canadian Studies."

Twice the recipient of the Faculty Enrichment grant by SICI in 2000 and 2009 Prof Chattopadhyay established the Centre for Canadian Studies at Jadavpur University.

She has been actively involved in establishing interest in relation to Indo-Canadian bilateral ties in Development Studies, Culture Studies, Sociology and Literature and also forging ways of initiating diverse interdisciplinary linkages and introduced full fledges credit courses on comparative literature with special emphasize on Canada.

Under her leadership the Centre for Canadian Studies had received Canadian Studies Development Grants from 2001 to organize various academic events i.e workshops, conferences, seminars on various aspects of Canada which in turn resulted in generating interest among young faculties and students to explore the potential research areas of Canada.

Further the enrichment she received through her fellowship in Canadian Universities helped her to expand and revise the syllabii for Canadian Studies at Jadavpur University to mark an attempt to study the contemporary trends in Canadian Literature.

Under her guidance the centre had collaborated projects in areas related to policy, multiculturalism, identity, and Diaspora Studies within the context of Indo-Canadian bilateral relations with four national institutions and four international institutions.

The local newspapers and social media always take interest and covered all academic events at the Centre for Canadian Studies at the Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University.

Prof Chattopadhyay is the co editor of a peer-reviewed volume of essays on Indo-Canadian Studies entitled *At the Crossroads of Culture and Literature* (Primus Books, New Delhi, 2015) and authored the book *Ghumantoos: The Roadies of India and Canada* (CAS Work in Progress II: 2013, Jadavpur University).

She has organized 12 national and international seminars and conferences on Canadian Studies and has edited 5 volumes on Canadian Studies. She is now serving as the Vice President and President Elect of SICI.