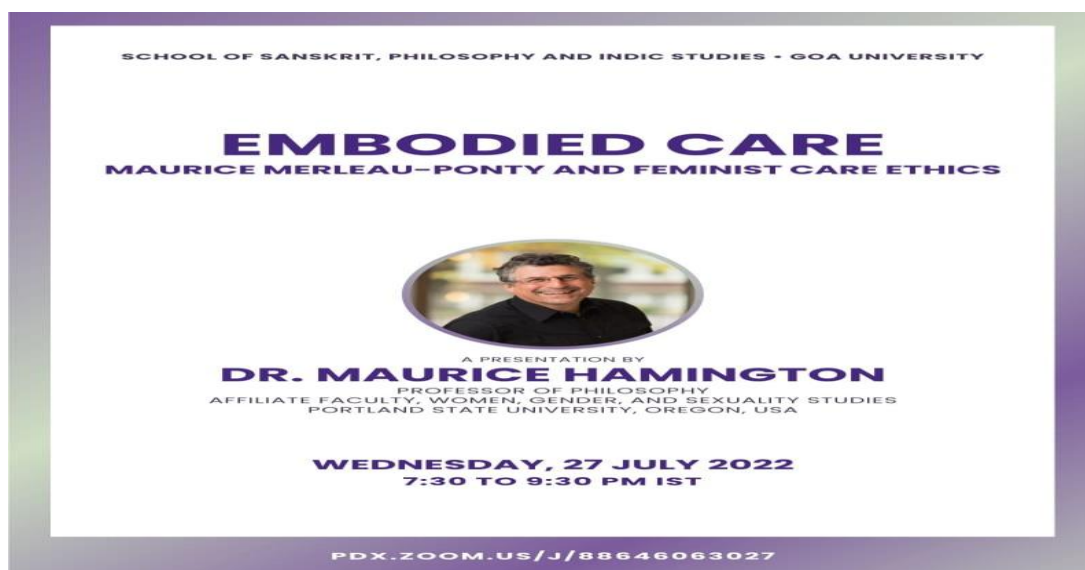


GOA UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF SANSKRIT, PHILOSOPHY AND INDIC STUDIES
Online Guest Lecture



The School of Sanskrit, Philosophy and Indic Studies, Goa University organized an online guest lecture titled **"Embodied Care: Maurice Merleau-Ponty and Feminist Care Ethics"** by **Dr Maurice Hamington** on **27 July 2022 (Wednesday) from 7:30 to 9:30 PM IST**. Dr Maurice Hamington is a Professor of Philosophy and Affiliate Faculty in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Portland State University, Oregon, USA. He is a care ethicist interested in both the theory and application of care. He is currently working on *The Oxford Handbook of Jane Addams* with Patricia Shield and Joseph Soeters. Dr Hamington is currently a Fulbright Specialist (2021–2025).

This talk explored how care theory, framed as an embodied, ethical way of being, offers new methods for thinking about morality. Such an approach has ontological, epistemological, and aesthetic significance in addition to its ethical importance. The talk offered an introduction to the work of French phenomenologist Maurice Merleau-Ponty and his work on the body. Merleau-Ponty's corporeal insights are integrated into the burgeoning field of feminist care ethics to develop the notion of embodied care. Feminist care ethics' relational character is rooted in unique contextual experiences or standpoints, and Merleau-Ponty's emphasis on the body adds a specific spatial understanding to that standpoint. Embodied care is experienced and needed by all, no matter their cultural, political, or religious identity. Recognizing, valuing, and committing to care represents hope for a troubled world. The guest lecture aims to expand the knowledge of philosophical perspectives and research among philosophy students, faculty, and the general public interested in philosophy.

The talk witnessed the participation of around 50-56 attendees including students, faculty members, research scholars, and participants from Goa University, affiliated colleges and outside Goa.

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