



Creative Writing Workshop

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Aryabhata College
University of Delhi**

Under the aegis of the English Literary Association of Aryabhata College a Creative Writing Workshop was organized for the students with the twin aim of nurturing their creative talent as well for their academic benefit who incidentally also have a paper on Creative Writing as part of their Skill Enhancement Course.

The workshop was conducted by the bestselling author, Ms Ratna Vira, in the seminar room on 13th February 2017.

Ms. Ratna Vira is an alumna of St. Stephen's College and London School of Economics and Political Science. She made her literary debut with her first novel *Daughter by Court Order* that was published by Fingerprint in 2014 to much critical acclaim.

Attended by students from across disciplines, the Workshop began with Ms. Vira shedding light on the creative processes involved in fiction writing. As part of the workshop, students were given writing exercises to explore their own imaginative potential and literary flair for creative writing. The students responded well by actively participating in the writing activities and read out their on-the-spot compositions. The session also had Dr. Rajesh Dwivedi whose role as a discussant in the workshop made the whole experience an enriching one by way of mapping a literary history of authorial approaches to forms of creative fiction.

The invigorating workshop ended with the author signing copies of her latest novel *It's Not About You* for students, thus making it both a fulfilling and a rewarding day.