

Roosevelt Hall of Fame



Dr. Gail Omvedt, Ph.D.
Class of 1959

Carlton College, B.A. Magna Cum Laude, 1963
University of California -- Berkeley,
Ph.D. with Distinction, 1973

- Distinguished herself as a committed social change agent, scholar, professor, author and consultant to governments
- Worked tirelessly to bring equality to those living in India, especially the socially oppressed and women
- Worked as consulting sociologist on gender, environmental, and rural development for the UN and other institutions
- Served as professor of the Dr. Ambedkar Chair at NISWASS in Orissa, India
- Served as Senior Fellow at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi
- Served in multiple other roles and professorships in Indian universities, and did consulting work in Indian institutions
- Wrote numerous books and articles on class, caste and gender issues, including *Understanding Caste: From Buddha to Ambedkar and Beyond*, and *We Shall Smash this Prison: Indian Women in Struggle*
- Received numerous academic fellowships and distinguished service awards including the Vitthai Ramji Shinde Award (2012)

Inducted September 17, 2016