

# DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

# M.Phil in Library and Information Science

## **REGULATIONS AND SYLLABUS** [For the candidates admitted from the Academic Year 2022 – 2023 onwards]



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### DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE <u>Regulations</u> (From the academic year 2022-2023 Onwards)

Name of the Programme	:	M. Phil (Library and Information Science)
Duration	:	1 Year (Regular)
Eligibility	:	Master of Library and Information Science
Medium of Instruction		: English
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## **General Objectives of the Programme:**

The general objectives of the programme are:

- The primary objective is to train the students in the basics of professional skills for information / knowledge management, so that they serve the society through an institution of library or information centre.
- To acquaint the students with the development of the Universe of Knowledge and methods of its organization in a library/information system.
- To train students in the techniques of Information Management and equip them with skills for applying Information Communication Technologies (ICT) in libraries and information centres.
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#### **Specific Objectives of the Programme:**

The specific objectives of the programme are:

- To make the student proficient in methods and techniques of research and their application to the problems in Library and Information Science
- To train the student in the techniques and management of Libraries of the 21<sup>st</sup> century using the modern technologies.
- To develop the skills to manage the Electronic Libraries in digital environment and to provide the advanced skills in computer and its application in library and information activities.
- To train the students in the advanced methods and techniques of research in library and information science

## **Program Learning Outcomes**

M.Phil. program will be able to ...

- Manage the libraries of the 21st century in a digital environment.
- Carry out the research independently on the emerging areas of library and information science.
- Analyze and engage in the changing cultural, educational, and social roles and responsibilities of librarians/information professionals and the environments they work in within the global society.

• Critique and synthesize research and identify appropriate research methodologies to solve problems in the field.

#### Dissertations

After the successful completion of the three theory papers, each candidate is required to submit a dissertation on the topic of his/her choice at the end of the year but within a period of two years from the date of commencement of M.Phil course.

#### Viva-Voce

On the receipts of the evaluation report from the external examiner regarding the acceptability of the dissertation a public viva-voce examination will be conducted by the Head of the department and the guide.

#### Passing Minimum

The passing minimum for the University examination will be two-fold consisting of Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) and End Semester Examination (ESE). To adopt the minimum marks as follows

ESE	- 40%
CIA	- 40%
Aggregate	- 50%

#### **Components of Continuous Internal Assessment (25 Marks)**

$\triangleright$	Average score of two tests	ST 11-	15
۶	Seminar / Quiz	- 18	5
۶	Assignment		5
	Total M	larks	25

#### Condonation

Students must have earned 75% of attendance in each course for appearing for the examination. Students who have earned 70% to 74% of attendance to be applied for condonation in the prescribed fee of Rs.100/- per subject and who have earned 60% to 69%, Rs.150/- per subject along with the Medical Certificate. Students who have attended below 60% are not eligible to appear for the examination and they shall re-do the semester after completion of the course, with the prior permission of the Registrar of the University.

## **Course Completion**

Students shall complete the programme within a period not exceeding 5 years from the year of completion of the period of study.

#### **Question Paper Pattern**

Section A: 5 Questions out of 8 questions carrying 5 marks each and Section B: 5 Questions out of 8 questions carrying 10 marks each.

While framing the question paper, the setter has to ensure that the questions of Section A and B are set from all the units.

## **Grading of the Courses**

The following table gives the marks, Grade points, Letter Grades and classifications meant to indicate the overall academic performance of the candidate.

RANGE OF MARKS	GRADE POINTS	LETTER GRADE	DESCRIPTION
90 - 100	9.0 - 10.0	0	Outstanding
80 - 89	8.0 - 8.9	PPA UNIVE D+TY	Excellent
75 - 79	7.5 – 7.9	D	Distinction
70 - 74	7.0 – 7.4	A+	Very Good
60 - 69	6.0 – 6.9	Α	Good
50 - 59	5. <mark>0 – 5</mark> .9	В	Average
00 - 49	0.0	U	Re-appear
ABSENT	0.0	AAA	ABSENT

Conversion of Marks to Grade Points and Letter Grade (Performance in Paper / Course)

- a) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 9.0 and 10.0 and marks from 90 100 shall be declared to have Outstanding (O).
- b) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 8.0 and 8.9 and marks from 80 89 shall be declared to have Excellent (D+).
- c) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 7.5 7.9 and marks from 75 79 shall be declared to have Distinction (D).
- d) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 7.0 7.4 and marks from 70 74 shall be declared to have Very Good (A+).
- e) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 6.0 6.9 and marks from 60 69 shall be declared to have Good (A).
- f) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning GPA between 5.0 5.9 and marks from 50 59 shall be declared to have Average (B).
- g) Candidates earning GPA between 0.0 and marks from 00 49 shall be declared to have Re-appear (U).
- h) Absence from an examination shall not be taken as an attempt.

From the second semester onwards the total performance within a semester and continuous performance starting from the first semester are indicated respectively by Grade Point Average (GPA) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA). These two are calculated by the following formulate

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) =  $\Sigma_i C_i G_i / \Sigma_i C_i$ 

- GPA = Sum of the multiplication of Grade Points by the credits of the coursesSum of the credits of the courses in a Semester
  - 20. Classification of the final result

CGPA	Grade	<b>Classification of Final</b>
		Result
9.5 - 10.0	0+	First Class – Exemplary*
9.0 and above but below 9.5	0	
8.5 and above but below 9.0	D++	First Class with Distinction*
8.0 and above but below 8.5	D+De	
7.5 and above but below 8.0	D	0
7.0 and above but below 7.5	A++	First Class
6.5 and above but below 7.0	APPA A+ ERSIT	1 ° 2.
6.0 and above but below 6.5	A	
5.5 and above but below 6.0	B+	Second Class
5.0 and above but below 5.5	В	6
0.0 and above but below 5.0	U	Re-appear

The final result of the candidate shall be based only on the CGPA earned by the candidate.

- a) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning CGPA between 9.5 and 10.0 shall be given Letter Grade (O+), those who earned CGPA between 9.0 and 9.4 shall be given Letter Grade (O) and declared to have First Class –Exemplary\*.
- b) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning CGPA between 7.5 and 7.9 shall be given Letter Grade (D), those who earned CGPA between 8.0 and 8.4 shall be given Letter Grade (D+), those who earned CGPA between 8.5 and 8.9 shall be given Letter Grade (D++) and declared to have First Class with Distinction\*.
- c) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning CGPA between 6.0 and 6.4 shall be given Letter Grade (A), those who earned CGPA between 6.5 and 6.9 shall be given Letter Grade (A+), those who earned CGPA between 7.0 and 7.4 shall be given Letter Grade (A++) and declared to have First Class.
- d) Successful candidates passing the examinations and earning CGPA between 5.0 and 5.4 shall be given Letter Grade (B), those who earned CGPA between 5.5 and 5.9 shall be given Letter Grade (B+) and declared to have passed in Second Class.
- i) Candidates those who earned CGPA between 0.0 and 4.9 shall be given Letter Grade (U) and declared to have Re-appear.
- e) Absence from an examination shall not be taken as an attempt.

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CGPA) =  $\Sigma_n \Sigma_i C_{ni}$  G<sub>ni</sub> /  $\Sigma_n \Sigma_i C_{ni}$ 

CGPA = <u>Sum of the multiplication of Grade Points by the credits of the entire Programme</u> Sum of the credits of the courses for the entire Programme

Where 'Ci' is the Credit earned for Course i in any semester; 'Gi' is the Grade Point obtained by the student for Course i and 'n' refers to the semester in which such courses were credited.

**CGPA** (Cumulative Grade Point Average) = Average Grade Point of all the Courses passed starting from the first semester to the current semester.

Note: \* The candidates who have passed in the first appearance and within the prescribed Semesters of the PG Programme are alone eligible for this classification.



S.	Course		Course		Hours/		Marks	
No.	Code				Week	Inter nal	Exter nal	Total
	1	1	I SEMESTI	ER				
1	921101	Core 1	Research Methodology	4	4	25	75	100
2	921102	Core 2	Emerging Thrust Areas in Library and Information Science	4	4	25	75	100
3	921103	Core 3	Teaching and Learning Skills	4	4	25	75	100
			Total	12	12	75	225	300
			II SEMEST	ER				
4	921201	Core 4	Information Use and User Study	4	4	25	75	100
5	921999	Core 5	Dissertation	8	14	(Th 150+ Voc	esis -Viva e 50)	200
		r	Fotal	12	18	75	225	300
				24	30	150	450	600

# **Credit Structure for M.Phil Programme**

	Semester – I		
Course code: 921101	Core:1 Research Methodology	Credits: 4	Hours:4
Objectives	<ul> <li>To support in understanding concepts general;</li> <li>To introduce research support tools and and</li> <li>To help in identifying research informat the trends of LIS research in India and all</li> <li>To help them understand data analysis and</li> <li>To develop familiarity with various statistical sectors.</li> </ul>	s related to reso I research comm tion sources in L proad. nd interpretation stical techniques.	earch methods in unication process; .IS and to explore
	Fundamentals of Research: Concept,	Definition, Eler	ments, Functions,
Unit-I	Purpose and Scope. Types of Research Individual Vs. Collaborative, Interdiscipli Relay Research. Research problem - I considered in determining Research Problem	n - Pure <i>Vs. A</i> nary <i>Vs.</i> Multidi dentification an n	Applied Research, isciplinary, Team, d Factors to be
Unit-II	<b>Planning of Research:</b> Research Design-Its concept, Purpose, planning procedures. Synopsis- concept and essential Components, Hypothesis-concept, Sources of Hypothesis, Functions and types; Testing of Hypothesis – Null hypothesis, Alternative hypothesis. Types of error, T- Test, level of significance, Testing of hypothesis with simple problems.		
Unit-III	Methods of Research: Survey Method, Case Study Method, and Delphi Techniques; Sampling techniques-probability and non-probability techniques; Methods of Data Collection: Questionnaire, Interview and Observation, Historical/Recorded data. Data analysis and Interpretation.		
Unit-IV	Basic Statistics and Metric Studies: Population, parameters and statistics, Frequency distribution, Measures of central tendency and dispersion; Probability: Concept and Definitions; Probability distribution; Basic concept of Metric Studies: Bibliometric, Scientometric and Webometrics; Preparation of Research Dissertation- structure, component and quality of report; style manuals- Chicago, MLA, APA etc.; Reference management tools- Mendeley, EndNote.		
Unit-V	<b>Statistical Package:</b> Use of statistical package: SPSS or SAS or any other well-tested and proven packages. Ethics in Research-Plagiarism Evaluation of Research Report.		
Suggested Read	ding:-		
Devarajan, (	G. (2002). Research in Library and Informati	on Science. Ess E	Ess Publications.
Goode, W.J	and Hatt, P.K (1989). <i>Method of Social Rese</i>	<i>arch</i> . McGraw H	111.
Kotnari, C.K. (1990). <i>Research Methodology</i> : Ed2 Wishwa.			
Narendra Dodiya (2016) Research Mythology Ess Ess Publications			
Prakritiranjangoswami, (1996). <i>Statistical Information system and libraries</i> , Anmol Publication Pvt Sambasiyan, K. (2000). <i>Investigating Library Resources</i> . Ess Ess Publications			

Sardana, .	Sardana, J. L., and Sehgal, R. L. (1982). Statistical methods for librarians. Ess Ess.		
Seetharan	na, S. (2015). Guidelines for Technical Writing for Librarians and Information		
Profe	essionals. Ess Ess Publications.		
Young, P.	V. (1982). Scientific social surveys and research. Ed4. Prentice Hall of India.		
	> Understand the advanced exposure to the students about the research and		
	development.		
	Comprehend the acquaintance with intensive techniques and skills of research		
	process.		
Outcomes	$\blacktriangleright$ exhibit the skills measurement & scaling techniques as well as the quantitative		
	data analysis,		
	> demonstrate the skills in application of statistics for data analysis and		
	hypothesis testing.		
	Understand the art and style of writing a research report.		



Course and a	Emerging Thrust Areas in Library and		
921102	Information Science	Credits: 4	Hours: 4
721102			
	$\succ$ To sensitize students with the import	tant events in	the Open Access
	Movement, Institutional repositories and	Digital Libraries	
	$\succ$ To familiarize students with principles as	nd practice of kno	owledge discovery
Objectives	and data management		
	$\succ$ To study the process, models and appli	cations of Data v	warehousing, Data
	Mining, Web mining and Decision Class	ifiers	
To develop familiarity with use of Internet in libraries			
	> To develop familiarity with some library	management soft	tware.
	Digital library software: Features and co	mparative study	of Dspace, Eprints
Unit-1	and Fedora; Harvesting Metadata, OA	I-PMH and DL	Interoperability;
	Harvester software.		LIDI
	Digital Library Architectures: Grid arch	hitecture - Open	URL integration.
Unit-II	Digital Preservation: PREMIS. Persiste	ent identifiers:	DOI and CNRI
	Handles; Multilingual digital repositories	and Cross-lang	juage information
	Networking: Concepts Type of Network	orker IAN MA	N and WAN
	Networking Topologies: Star Bus To	oken Ring Hvi	hrid Networking
Unit-III	Hardware Network layer protocols: The	Internet Protoco	ols (IP) IPv4 and
	IPv6	internet Trotoeo	
<b>Data warehousing:</b> Introduction, Definitions, Multi-dimensional data m		sional data model.	
Unit-IV	OLAP and OLAP Engine.	,	
	Data Mining: Introduction, Definitions, k	KDD vs DM, DE	BMS vs DM, DM
	techniques, Issues and Challenges,	Applications. A	ssociation rules:
Unit-V	Introduction, Methods to discover association	on rules, Algorith	ms. Web mining:
	Content, structure and usage mining, Tex	xt mining, Imag	e and multimedia
	mining.		
Suggested Re	adings:-		
Chakrabor	ty, Soumen. (2002). Mining the Web. Morgan	Kaufman.	
David J. H	and, Heikki, M and Padhraic S. (2000). Princi	ples of Data Mini	ing. MIT
Dunham, I	M H. (2003). Data Mining: Introductory and A	dvanced. Prentice	e Hall.
Hastie, Til	oshirani and Friedman. (2001). The elements of	Statistical Learn	ning: Data Mining,
Hsinchun,	Chen. (2001). Knowledge Management System	ns: A Text Mining	Perspective.
Jiawei Ha	n and Micheline Kamber. (2000). Data M	lining: Concepts	and Techniques.
Morgan Kaufmann			d Tashuimura Qud
Jiawei Ha	Jiawei Han and Micheline Kamber. (2005). Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques, 2nd		
Poiger P	edition. Morgan Kaumann.		
West	J., & Geatz, M. W. (2005). Duta Mining. 2	A Tuloriul-Duseu	Trimer. Addison
Tan Stein	Ton Steinhach Kumar (2006) Introduction to Data Mining Addison Wesley		
	cuen, realitier, (2000). Interounction to Data Mit		y
	Understand the Open Access Movement, I	Institutional repos	sitories and Digital
Outcomes	Libraries		

> Comprehend the principles and practice of knowledge discovery and data
management
➢ Understand the models and applications of Data warehousing, Data Mining,
Web mining
Carry out various automated in-house library operations.
> Understand basic concept of computer networks and use of Internet in
libraries.



Course code:	Teaching and Learning Skills	Credits: 1	Hours: 4	
921105		Cicuits. 4	110015.4	
	> To understand the value and importance of I	CT		
	> To understand the barriers to communication	1.		
Objectives	> To create friendly acquaintance with the con	verging technolo	ogies	
	> To understand the types of teaching			
	To know the evaluation of teaching skills			
	Computer Applications Skills: Computer System	em: Characterist	tics, Parts and	
	their functions-Different generations of comput	er – Operation	of Computer:	
∐nit_I	Switching on/off/restart. Mouse Control, Use of key board and some functions			
	of key - Information and Communication Te	chnology (ICT)	applications:	
	Using word processors, Spread Sheets, Power Po	oints slides in th	e classroom –	
	ICT for Research: Online Journals, e-books, Cou	rseware, Tutoria	ıls.	
	<b>Communication</b> Skills: Communication	Definitions-E	Elements of	
	Communication: Sender, Message, Channel, Re	ceiver, Feedbac	k and Noise–	
Unit-II	Types of Communication: Spoken and written:	Non-Verbal Con	mmunication-	
	Intrapersonal, Interpersonal, Group and Mass (		- Barriers to	
	Communication: Mechanical, Physical, Lingui	istic and Cultur	aI - SKIIIS OI	
	Communication: Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing.			
	using Communication Technology – Cor	nu Developmen nnuter Mediat	ed Teaching	
Unit III	Multimedia E Content Satellite Based communication: EDUSAT and			
	FTV Channels, Communication through web: Audio and Video applications			
	on the internet interpersonal communication through the web			
Pedagogy: Instructional Technology: Definition. Objectives and		s and Types-		
	Difference between Teaching and Instruction-Le	ecture Technique	e–Narration in	
Unit-IV	tune with the nature of different disciplines	– Lecture with	power point	
	presentation – Learning Techniques: Team teaching, Group Discussion,			
	Seminar, Workshop, Symposium and Panel Discussion – Models of Teaching			
	Teaching Skills: Definition, Meaning and Natu	re: Types of Te	aching Skills:	
IImit V	Skill of Set induction, Skill of Stimulus Variation	n, Skill of Expla	ining, Skill of	
Umt-v	Probing Questions, Skill of Black Board Wri	iting and Skill	of Closure -	
	Integration of Teaching Skills – Evaluation of	Teaching Sk	ills	
Suggested Rea	dings:-			
Arvind Kuma	r. (2006). Information <i>Technology for All</i> (2 Vols.)	). Anmol.		
Bansal, S.K. (	2005). Information Technology and Globalisation.	A.P.H. Publish	ning	
corporation,				
Basandra, S. (2002). Computers Today and Globalisation. Golgotia.			oth L D	
Bovee, Court	and and John V Thill K (2008). Business Commun	ication Today, 8	<i><sup>3<sup>m</sup> ed.</sup></i> Pearson	
Deeson, Eric	2000. Managing with Information Technology. K	ogan page Ltd.		
Gerson Shara	n L and Steven M Gerson (2008) Technical Writi	no. Process and	l Product	
Pearson Ed	lucation.	ng. 1 rocess unu	1 10uucl.	

Kissock, C.	Kissock, C. et. al (1982). A Guide to Questioning: Classroom Procedures for Teachers,		
Macmilla	n Publishers		
Limited	d, London Larochelle, M. et. al (Ed). (1998). Construction and Education.		
Cambridg	ge University Press, Cambridge.		
Lesikar, R. V	V., Pettit, J. D., and Flatley, M. E. (1999). Lesikar's basic business communication.		
McGraw-	Hill.		
Murphy, Herta, Herbert, W Hildebrandt, and Jane, P Thomas (2010). Effective Business			
Communi	ication. 7 <sup>th</sup> ed. Tata McGraw-Hill.		
	> Comprehend the importance of Information and Communication		
Technology.			
	Understand the evaluation of student performance		
Outcomes	Understand the new trends and techniques in LIS research		
	Comprehend the basic knowledge of e-content		
	Understand the different ICT applications of Teaching and learning		



Semester – II					
Course Code 921201	Information Use and User Study	Credits: 4	Hours: 4		
Objectives	<ul> <li>To acquaint students with basic knowledge of user studies.</li> <li>To identify the different data collection tools of user study</li> <li>To study information needs, use and user studies, information literacy</li> <li>To encourage students to evaluate the user studies using new techniques.</li> <li>To evaluate the different information literacy programs</li> </ul>				
Unit-I	<b>Information user and their needs:</b> Categories of information users; Information seeking behavior: Concept, definitions and models of Information Seeking Behaviour (ISB).				
Unit-II	<b>User studies:</b> Concept, definition, importance of user studies, Types of user's studies.				
Unit-III	<b>Methods, techniques and Strategies of user studies:</b> Method of Data Collection – Interview method, questionnaire, Dairy and Observation methods.				
Unit-IV	<b>User Education and Information Literacy:</b> concept, meaning and definition, Need and scope, planning and designing of user education. Methods and techniques of user education programme; Information literacy and its types, methods of conducting Information Literacy programme.				
Unit-V	<b>Information literacy programs:</b> Planning and implementation – Issues involved Collaboration with Academics, Administration and Public Information literacy curriculum - Components; Assessment evaluation of information literacy programs				
Suggested Readings:-					
Devarajan, G. (1995). Library Information User and Use Studies. Beacon Books.					
Deverajan (1987). User studies. Allied publishers.					
Dobreva, M.	, O'Dwyer, A., and Feliciati, P. (Eds.). (2012). Use	r studies for a	digital library		
developn	nent. Facet Publishing.				
Kawatra, P.S. (1992). Library User Studies: A Manual for Librarians and Information					
Scientist	s. Jaico Publishing House.				
Kumar, PSG. (2002). A student's Manual of Library and Information Science. BR. Publishers.					
Kumar, PSG. (2004). <i>Library and Users: Theory and Practice</i> . BR. Publishers.					
Kumar, PSG. (2006). Use and User studies Publication. BR Publication.					
Satyanarayana, N.R. ed. (1988). User Education in Academic Libraries. Ess Ess Publications. Sridhar MS (2002) Library use and user research (with twenty age studies). Concert					
Publishing Company					
Stone, S., and Harris, C. (1984). Designing a user study: general research design. University of					
Sheffield. Department of Information Studies. Consultancy and Research Unit.					
Outcomes	<ul> <li>Comprehend the basic knowledge of user studies.</li> <li>Understand the information needs, use and user studies</li> <li>Understand the evaluation of user studies using new techniques</li> <li>identify the characteristics of information users; and</li> <li>delineate the user studies and the methodology</li> </ul>				

Course Code: 921999	Dissertation and Viva-Voce	Credits: 8	Hours:14	
	> To provide the students basic knowledge of research in the field of LIS			
	> To help them chose an appropriate research problem for dissertation.			
Objectives	➢ To acquaint students with basic knowledge of user studies.			
	> To study information needs, use and user studies, information literacy			
	> To encourage students to evaluate the user studies using new techniques.			

The students will prepare a dissertation in not less than 80 pages on any one topic / problem in Library and Information Science and submit on or before the last working day of the final semester. The Dissertation will be evaluated for 150 marks. The remaining 50 marks are reserved for viva-voce examination which will be conducted by the External Examiner/HOD in the Department.



