

# **Bhai Gurdas Central Library**

## **Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar**



Guru Nanak Dev University was established at Amritsar on November 24, 1969 to mark the quin-centenary (500th birth anniversary) of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. It is both a residential and an affiliating University. In conceiving the future course of the University, the objectives enshrined in the Guru Nanak Dev University Act 1969 emphasize that the University would make provisions for imparting education and promoting research in humanities, social sciences, sciences, especially of applied nature and technology. It is highly innovative in designing its teaching and research programmes and offers a comprehensive range of general and applied courses. The University has 37 full-fledged academic departments, four regional campuses at Jalandhar, Gurdaspur, Sathiala (Amritsar) and Kapurthala and nine constituent colleges at Mukandpur, Jalandhar, Niari (Pathankot), Narot Jaimal Singh (Gurdaspur), Mithra (Kapurthala), Verka (Amritsar), Chungh and Patti (Tarn Taran). The University has contributed tremendously in providing higher education to women in this otherwise educationally backward area. Being an affiliating University, it also performs the parenting role of directing and monitoring the academic programmes of more than 158 colleges located in the seven districts of Punjab namely- Amritsar, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Tarn Taran, Gurdaspur and Pathankot; some of which have a long and creditable history of imparting higher education since late nineteenth century. In addition, 78 associate institutes covering almost every district of Punjab state as well as two institutes of New Delhi have been granted permission to start various courses under distance education programme of the University. Over the years, the University has built up an excellent academic infrastructure in the form of a well-stocked computerised library, state-of-the-art laboratories and trained professional staff. Bhai Gurdas

Central Library has an air-conditioned reading hall for students to study, which remains open for 24 hours.

The University library is one of the most prestigious and well known library in the northern India. It has been named after the great Sikh scholar Bhai Gurdas, who had the privilege of taking dictation from the reverend fifth Sikh Guru, Guru Arjan Dev ji for the compilation of the holy scripture of the Sikhs, the Adi Granth. Bhai Gurdas Central Library was established in March 1970. The University library building is a marvel and a masterpiece of architecture. This building is five storeyed, inverted pyramid shaped magnificent building directly visible from the main gate of the university on the Grand Trunk Road. It is centrally located with teaching departments all around.

The library remains open on all the days of the year except on two national holidays i.e. 26<sup>th</sup> January and 15<sup>th</sup> August. The timing of the library is 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM during working days. On Saturdays, Sundays and other holidays, it remains open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

The membership of the library is open to all the faculty members, research fellows, students and staff. The faculty members of colleges affiliated to this university can also become member of the University library by depositing refundable security. Non-members can consult the library with prior permission of the librarian.

The library has a total collection of more than 4.5 lac documents. The library subscribes to 114 foreign journals, 133 Indian journals, 150 gifted journals and 233 online journals from INDEST. The library is a member of INFLIBNET UGC-Infonet e-journals Consortium Programme which is providing access to 7500+ e-journals and some databases. Almost all the disciplines are covered in these e-journals.

Bhai Gurdas Central Library is a member of DELNET (Developing Library Network). It helps the faculty and researchers to procure those books, articles and documents from other educational Institutions through DELNET which are not available in our University. Bhai Gurdas Central Library is also subscribing the Scopus Database.

## **National Seminar of ‘Punjabi Manuscripts’**

Bhai Gurdas Central Library, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar is going to organize a national seminar of three days on Punjabi manuscripts. The seminar will be held on January 18-20, 2013.

These articles will be published in 'Samrakshika' and 'Samikshika' by National Mission for Manuscripts, New Delhi. The article can be presented in English or Punjabi. The other themes will be:-

1. Punjabi Manuscripts: on any Manuscript dealing with any period
2. Digital Curation
3. Punjabi Manuscripts in Hindi
4. Punjabi Manuscripts in Urdu/Persian
5. Digital Preservation of Punjabi Manuscripts
6. Conservation of Punjabi Manuscripts
7. Preservation of Punjabi Manuscripts
8. Restoration of Punjabi Manuscripts
9. Digitization of Manuscripts in Punjab.

Interested Librarians, Archivists, Curators, Scholars of Punjabi language and literature, those who have worked on Punjabi Manuscripts can send their request on online form to attend or to present a research paper. The paper must reach before November 30, 2012 and an abstract before October 15, 2012.

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