

# **Department of Library and Information Science Master of Library and Information Science**

#### LSH401: FOUNDATIONS OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

### **Objectives:**

- To introduce the students with the basics of library and information science.
- To identify the types of libraries and understand the functions, activities and services.
- To provide students an understanding about philosophies of library science, its basic principles, fundamental laws, guidelines and social impact.
- To understand the importance of library associations/organizations and their role in lifelong learning.
- To educate students about growth, development of libraries and library professional ethics.
- To train students for a professional career in Library and Information Services
- To understand the Library and Information Profession.

## **Course Outcome (CO):**

- CO1 Gain clear understandings of LIS as professional education, its values and philosophies that govern the activities in the practicing world.
- CO2 Obtain proper understanding of functions and services of various types of libraries.
- CO3 Differentiate functions and activities between different types of libraries.
- CO4 Gain knowledge about library legislation, acts, IPR, and copyright.
- CO5 Understand the activities, roles and responsibilities of professional associations in LIS.
- CO6 Have the knowledge of public relations and library extension activities.
- CO7 Understand the basic philosophy and principles of LIS professionalism,
- Unit : Library as a Social Institution: Social and Historical foundations of Library; 08hrs

  Different types of Libraries features, functions and services. Role of libraries in social, cultural, educational and scientific technical development. Information Society: Data, information, and knowledge, concept, meaning and features. Evolution of information society.
- Unit : Five Laws of Library Science; Implications of Five Laws in Library and Information 08hrs Activities.
- Unit : Library Development: Development of Libraries in India with special reference to 06hrs Karnataka. National Knowledge Commission (NKC) and its role.

- Unit : Library Legislation need, purpose and essential features; Library Legislation in O8hrs India problems and prospects; Overview of Public Library Acts in India. Detailed study of Karnataka Public Library Act 1965; Press and Registration Act and Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) and News paper Act, 1954 and 1956; Copyright Act and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR). Right to Information Act. Information technology Act 2000.
- Unit : Library and Information Profession: Attributes of a Profession; Librarianship as a 06hrs Profession; Professional Ethics and Qualities; LIS Education and Research.
- Unit : Professional Associations: Professional Associations—Objectives and Functions; 08hrs
   Role of Professional Associations in Library Development; National Library Associations—Objectives, Functions and Activities. ILA, IATLIS, IASLIC; International Library Associations—Objective, Functions and Activities IFLA, ALA, LA; Promoters of Library and Information Services, National level, RRRLF, International Level UNESCO. State Library Association —KALA.
- Unit : Public Relations and Extension Activities: Concept, Definition and Scope; Facets 06hrs and Programmes; Publicity and Extension, Outreach Activities; Library Path Finder's (Guides).

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