

Credit based Semester Syllabus for
Bachelor of Library and Information Science (BLISc)

First Semester

BLC 101 - Library, Information and Society

(3 Credits / 75 Marks)

Unit -1

- Social and historical foundations of Library: Library as an institution and its evolution, History, Library as a socio and cultural institution.
- Library movement in India.
- Different types of Libraries - functions, objectives, and activities.
- Information - Definitions, Contributions of Belkin, Robertson, Derwin, Ingwersen, etc.
- Information, Information Science, Information as a resource/commodity, Information society.
- Information Transfer Cycle-Generation, Collection, Storage and dissemination.
- Role of Information in planning, Management, Socio-economic development, Technology transfer.
- Communication theories and models. Barriers to communication. Levels of communications – Intrapersonal, interpersonal and mass communication.

15 Hours

Unit -2

- Five laws of Library Science and their implications.
- Development of Libraries in India with special reference to Goa
- Library legislation – Need and purpose. Library legislation in India – problems and prospects.
- Overview of public Library acts in Indian States, Detailed study of Goa Public Library Act 1993.

- Delivery of Books (Public Libraries) and News paper Act, 1954 and 1956, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and Copyright Act, Right to Information Act.

15 Hours

Unit - 3

- Library and Information Profession: Attributes of a profession, Librarianship as a profession, Professional ethics and qualities, Professional education and research.
- Professional associations – Objectives and functions, Role of professional associations in Library development; Regional Library associations- KALA; National Library associations - ILA, IATLIS, IASLIC ; International Library associations – IFLA, FID,ALA, SLA, and LA.
- Promoters of Library and Information services: National level - RRRLF, International level – UNESCO. Public relations and extension activities.
- National Knowledge Commission (NKC) and its role.

15 Hours

Selected Readings:

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15. Sen B.K. (2002). Five laws of Library Science? IASLIC Bulletin, 47(3), p.121- 140.
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New Model Public Library Acts for the Union. Bookwell.
19. Venkatappaiah, V. (1990). Indian Library legislation. 2nd Vol. New Delhi: Daya.
20. Vyas, S.D. (1993). Library and society. Jaipur: Panchasheel.