

Facilities at library

A college library is a crucial academic resource for both faculty and students. College library boasts a collection of approximately 61,819 books and subscribes to 23 magazines and 13 newspapers. It also provides access to E-resource services through DULS, E- Library Facilities and services by Delhi University and N-LIST subscriptions, which are accessible remotely. The library is fully air-conditioned, IT-enabled, and under CCTV surveillance. It features separate reading rooms for faculty and students.

- The library's homepage provides information on library rules, services, staff, timing, Web OPAC, and more. The library is fully automated, utilizing KOHA-open-source integrated software with web-OPAC facilities.
- It also employs RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology for efficient library management. This includes RFID-enabled library cards, a self-circulation desk for quick and easy book borrowing and returning, and email notifications for each book transaction.
- The library has implemented a Digital entry reader system and D-Space (Digital repository software). These platforms allow faculty, students, and staff to share research work, activities, and events. They also provide remote access to syllabuses, question papers, and journalism projects.
- Library also provides Digital entry patron in / out Management system in order streamline the management of patron entry and exits to enhancing efficiency of Library operations

It provides software and BRAILLE books to help visually challenged students access their course content.

Facilities & Services for Visually Impaired Students:

The college library extends its commitment to inclusivity by offering a range of dedicated Facilities & Services tailored to cater to the needs of visually impaired students and faculty members. These services are administered through the proficient coordinators of the Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC), helmed by Mr. K. Suresh Kumar. Situated in close proximity to the library, the EOC stands as a comprehensively equipped unit aimed at fostering accessibility.

A dedicated space has been meticulously arranged adjacent to the circulation counter on the ground floor to provide an accessible reading facility specifically designed for visually impaired students. This space is thoughtfully equipped with two computer systems, ensuring a conducive environment for their reading and learning needs.

The array of Services & Facilities comprises:

- Braille Print Material: A comprehensive compilation of foundational course syllabi rendered in Braille format is readily available.
- Audio CD Resources: In addition to Braille, the library provides essential course materials, including foundation courses, in audio book format on CDs.
- Diverse Audio Book Collection: A diverse range of audio books supplements the learning experience of visually impaired students.
- E-Text Accessibility: Electronic Texts (E-Texts) can be conveniently accessed via the following link: <http://bl.du.ac.in>.

- Innovative Reading Technology: The visually impaired community benefits from cutting-edge reading technology, enhancing their learning journey.
- Lex Air Portable Camera Reading System: The Lex Air Portable Camera Reading System enables easy access to printed materials through its advanced camera-based technology.
- Notebook Computer Braille Library: The dedicated notebook computer Braille Library caters to the digital learning requirements of visually impaired individuals.
- EVO E11 Daisy Player: The EVO E11 Daisy Player, boasting over 35 hours of voice recording capacity, features variable speed playback and an inbuilt speaker. It also facilitates internet connectivity for seamless data access.

In conjunction with the aforementioned services and facilities, proactive assistance is extended to visually impaired individuals to aid them in obtaining membership for the Braille Library (bl.du.ac.in), the central library, and the University of Delhi at large. This holistic approach underscores the institution's commitment to fostering an inclusive educational environment.

Report of equal opportunity cell-enabling unit for NAAC

Since 2009, the Equal Opportunity Cell-Enabling Unit at Delhi College of Arts and Commerce-University of Delhi has been dedicated to empowering and improving the lives of individuals with disabilities on campus. The EOC provides a specially equipped room with user-friendly technology for both academic and extra-curricular activities. This includes ten computers equipped with **screen reading software, JAWS**, and students with visual impairments are provided with **Angel e-book readers, Dezi players, and Netbooks with talking software**. **The Lexy cam scanner** is also available to assist visually impaired students in **independently scanning and reading their books**. The EOC ensures that individuals with disabilities have equal access and opportunities in accordance with the 4% reservation in employment and 5% reservation in admission to various courses. The EOC is committed to creating a barrier-free and disabled-friendly campus environment.

At DCAC, the equal opportunity cell-enabling unit organizes regular sensitization workshops, seminars, and conferences to support individuals with disabilities. Additionally, it offers career counselling to those with disabilities. Remarkably, 99 percent of disabled students who graduated from our college have successfully secured government jobs, including positions in banking, the CBI, teaching, and more. Each year, we have over 50 volunteers who provide invaluable service to individuals with disabilities, including physical assistance and book-reading. During the Covid-19 pandemic, the equal opportunity cell and its volunteers extended their support to those with disabilities in need. Our college's equal opportunity cell-enabling unit is dedicated to working tirelessly towards the empowerment of individuals with disabilities.