

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name : SOUMITRA SARKAR

Designation : University Librarian, University of Calcutta
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&
Ph.D. Supervisor,
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Academic Qualifications : M.A., M.Lib.Sc., Ph.D., DSA
First Ph.D. in Library Science of the University of Calcutta

Experience : Administrative/ Professional Experience- 35 years
Teaching Experience- 30 years
Postgraduate (BLIS & MLIS Course)
M.Phil. in Library & Information Science
Research Experience : 20 years as Ph.D. Supervisor

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Award & Recognition

Received Outstanding Teacher Award '**SHIKSHARATNA 2017**', Government of West Bengal, Department of Higher Education, Science & Technology and Biotechnology

Positions held (Teaching and Administrative)

Name of the University/ Institute	Post held	From	To
University of Calcutta	Registrar, University of Calcutta	19.09.2018	18.03.2019
	Director, Administrative Staff College, University of Calcutta	2008	2016
	Curator, Asutosh Museum of Indian Art, University of Calcutta	2002	2013
	Coordinator of University Website, University of Calcutta	2002	till date
Jadavpur University	Librarian	11.7.2001	18.9.2001
University of North Bengal	Deputy Librarian	17.4.1998	10.7.2001
	Lecturer in Library & Information Science, (Part-time)	July 1998	April 2001
	In-charge of the Department of Library & Information Science	1.3.2000	30.4.2001
Rabindra Bharati University	Lecturer in Library & Information Science (Part-time)	February 1990	March 1997
Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management	Librarian	1.3.1996	16.4.1998

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R. K. Mission Boys' Home, Brahmananda PGBT College, Rahara	Librarian	4.5.1989	29.2.1996
R. K. Mission Boys' Home, Librarianship Training Centre, Rahara	Instructor in Library Science (Part- time)	July 1989	February 1996
R. K. Mission Shramik Vidyapeeth, Narendrapur	Lecturer in Library Science (Part- time)	December 1986	1988

Researchers awarded Ph.D./M.Phil. degree under my guidance

Name of the Degree	Number Enrolled	Ongoing	Degree Awarded
Ph.D.	11	1	10
M.Phil.	5	0	5

Name of researchers awarded Ph.D. degree under my guidance

Sl. No.	Name of the researcher	Title of the thesis	Year
1	Amita Roy	Framing a model for library rules of university libraries in Indian perspective	2024
2	Sompita Das	Trends of Malaria Research in India During 2004-2020: A Bibliometric Study	2024
3	Jayasri Chattopadhyay	Swadhinata Purvayuge Bangalir Granthagarbhabana 1836 AD 1947 AD	2024
4	Jiban Krishna Pal	Scientometric assessment of institutional research productivity: an analysis based on scholarly publications of the Indian Statistical Institute	2021
5	Dev Das Lal	Resource sharing among the libraries of the Department of Biotechnology in India: An evaluative study of consortia approach	2015
6	Mom Chattopadhyay	Use of chemical preservatives and health hazards in the University Libraries of West Bengal: A study	2014
7	Tanmay De Sarkar	An evaluative study of libraries in colleges under the University of North Bengal undergoing the process of	2014
8	Nimai Shit	An analysis of readership in public libraries: a case study of the North 24 Parganas District, West Bengal	2014
9	Rahul Majumdar	Information needs of the inmates and staff of the correctional homes in West Bengal: A study	2013
10	Sarmistha Datta	An approach to knowledge management: problems and solutions for Indian situations, a conceptual/ operational model for library KM	2006

Scholars pursuing Ph.D. research work under my guidance

1. Sheuli Sengupta

Name of researchers who submitted M.Phil. dissertations under my guidance

Sl. No.	Name of the Researcher	Title of the M.Phil. Dissertation
1	Asis Kumar Karan	Role of INFLIBNET in automation of university libraries
2	Nibhas Biswas	Information needs of Social Science students in the Alipore Campus, University of Calcutta
3	Rahul Majumder	An analytical bibliography of Sri Aurobindo's 'SAVITRI'
4	Dipa Roy	Collection development of Pharmacy College Libraries in West Bengal
5	Tanushree Mondal	Organisation of information and designing of information system of migratory birds in Kolkata and surroundings during winter

Select list of publications

- De Sarkar, T. and Sarkar, S (2024), "The Strategic use of online scholarly tools in libraries around digital inclusion", Singh, R. and Sukula, S.K. (Eds), *Futuristic Vision and Technology for Innovative Libraries*, Society Publishing, Ontario, Canada.
- De Sarkar, T. and Sarkar, S (2024), "The Adoption of artificial intelligence in libraries: with a special focus on robotics", accepted for presentation in the G20 Library Summit: Connecting Nations for Knowledge and Cultural Heritage, 7-9 February, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, India.
- De Sarkar, T. and Sarkar, S (2023), "The Strategic use of online scholarly tools in libraries around digital inclusion", accepted for presentation in the International Conference on Academic Libraries, ICAL-2023, 5-8 April, University of Delhi, Delhi, India.
- Sarkar, S and De Sarkar, T (2022), "Improving research impact with publications in open access journals", Biswas, A and Das Biswas, M. (Eds), *Panorama of open access: progress, practices and prospects*, ESS ESS Publications, New Delhi, 47-66.
- Das, S. and Sarkar. S (2021) "A Bibliometric Profile on Malaria Research" *IASLIC Bulletin*, 66(1), 49-53, Kolkata
- Pal, Jiban K., & Sarkar, Soumitra (2020). Evaluation of Institutional Research Productivity. *DESIDOC Journal of Library & Information Technology*, 40(1), 406-417. <https://doi.org/10.14429/djlit.40.01.14804>
- Pal, Jiban K., & Sarkar, Soumitra (2020). Understanding research productivity in the realm of evaluative scientometrics. *Annals of Library and Information Studies*, 67(1), 67-69. <http://op.niscair.res.in/index.php/ALIS/article/view/29629>
- Das, S. and Sarkar. S (2019) "Application of Bradford's Law on Journal Productivity: A Study on Malaria Literature" *Recent Trends on Library, Information and Society*, 81-87, Kolkata
- Das, S. and Sarkar. S (2019) "Authorship Pattern of Malaria Research in India: A Bibliometric Study" *RBU Journal of Library and Information Science*, 21, 20-26

- Finance of the Virtual: Musings of the Monetary Facets of E-Libraries, 23rd National Seminar of IASLIC
- *Governance in the University in West Bengal: Approaches to Strategic Management*, UGC-sponsored seminar on *The Governance of the State-Aided Universities of West Bengal: A Review in the Present Perspective*
- *An Analysis of the Role of NAAC in Quality Assurance in Higher Education*, XVII Biennial conference of West Bengal University Officers' Association
- *Information and Library Network: An Overview*, UGC-sponsored National Seminar on Automation & Networking of the College Libraries of West Bengal
- Effective User Education Programmes in Modern Academic Libraries of India, National Conference on Information Management in E-Libraries
- Our Ceaseless Quest for Excellence, University News Vol. 45 No. 01
- Finance for Digital Libraries' published in the book entitled 'Digital Information Resources and Network on India' UBS Publishers' Distributors Pvt. New Delhi
- 'Granthagarer Bhumika' (Bengali) Published in the book entitled 'Tathyer Adhikar', Gangchil,
- Tagore Law Lecture-1898, The Law of Perpetuities in British India, by Sir Asutosh Mookerjee, published by University of Calcutta
- Sir Asutosh Mookerjee: A Tribute published by University of Calcutta

Completed project

Title	Funding Agency
A Survey of Readership in Public Libraries in Sikkim with Recommendations for Development	Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Ministry of Culture, Government of India

Select list of lectures/ invited talks delivered

- Lecture on 'Growth and Development of LIS Education' – DLIS, NSOU, 17 May, 2024
- Lecture on 'Capacity building programme for young social science faculties' ICSSR-NSOU collaborative programme, 9 December, 2023
- Inaugural address for the Valedictory Session of IFLA.CU 2018, International Conference on Transforming the Society: Libraries as the Torch Bearer of Change, 21 August, 2018
- Address as Chief Guest, Librarians' Day Celebration 2018, Central Library, IIT Kharagpur, 9 August 2018
- Refresher Course on Interdisciplinary Research Methodology, Department of South-East Asian Studies, UGC-HRDC, University of Calcutta, 5 February 2018
- Keynote Address delivered-Technical Session, International Conference of CGLA: RTCL-GPL 2018, 28 January 2018
- Address as a Panel Member on Reimagining Today's Librarianship, National Library, Ministry of Culture, Government of India, 9 August
- Governance of Open Knowledge, UGC-HRDC, 30 January 2017

- Book Promotion for Libraries, National Book Trust, India, 17 November 2016
- Address as Chief Guest, The Role of Library and Information System in College Education, Sovarani Memorial College, Jagatballavpur, Howrah, 12 August 2016
- Address as Chief Guest, West Bengal College Librarians' Association, 20 March, 2016
- Address as Guest of Honour, Seminar on D-Space and Koha-Open-Source Software, Heritage Institute of Technology, 3 February 2016
- Lecture on Development of Institutional Digital Resources, National Seminar on Emerging Trends in Academic Libraries, IIT Kharagpur, 21 August, 2015
- Lecture on Researches and Research Methodology, Department of Pali, University of Calcutta, 20 January 2015
- Lecture on Academic Library Management: Infinite Possibilities, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 24 September 2013
- Lecture on Challenges in Library Management System, National Seminar on Challenges in Library Management System (CLMS 2012), Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Jadavpur, Kolkata, 25 February 2012
- Address as Chief Guest, User Awareness Programme in Access to E-resources under N-LIST Programme, University of North Bengal, 10 February 2012
- Lecture on Accessing Electronic Resources, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 3 December 2010
- Delivered the Keynote Address, UGC Sponsored National Seminar on E-Resource Management in Academic Libraries, Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, 26 November 2010
- Lecture on Online Resources, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 14 July 2010
- Lecture on Emerging Issues in Library and Information Science and Services, Golden Jubilee National Seminar 2010, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Burdwan, 9 April 2010
- Lecture on University/ Academic Library Management & Services for Library Professionals, Workshop for Library Professionals of University & Colleges (Assistant Librarian Gr-II to Superintendent Level), UGC–Academic Staff College, Jadavpur University, 17 March 2010
- Lecture on Managing College and University Libraries in New Environment, UGC–Academic Staff College, Jadavpur University, 22 August 2009
- Lecture on Digital Library, INFLIBNET Regional Training programme on Library Automation, University of North Bengal, 17 December 2009
- Lecture on Role of LIS Professionals in the 21st Century, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 25 March 2009
- Lecture on Knowledge Management, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 5 December 2008
- Lecture on Management of E-resources, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Burdwan, 14 November 2008
- Delivered Special Lectures, Department of Library and Information Science, University of North Bengal, 26-29 May 2008
- Lecture on Quality Indicators for Library and Information Services: Role of LIS Professionals, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Calcutta, 14 March 2008
- Lecture on Open Access to Knowledge: Role of Libraries, Syamsundar College, Burdwan, 21 September 2007
- Lecture on E-resource Handling and Use of SOUL, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 20 September 2007
- Lecture on E-Library in the 21st Century, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 11 September 2007
- Lecture on Granthagarer Sekal-Ekal, Golden Jubilee Celebration of Sarat Smiriti Granthagar, Panitras, 27 January 2007

- Lecture on Academic Library as an Agent of Change, National workshop on Application of Instructional Technology to Information Literacy Programmes, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Mumbai, 2 December 2006
- Lecture on Library and Information Science in the 21st Century, Bengal Industrial Training Centre (Unit of The Science Association of Bengal) 18-20 September 2006
- Lecture on Tathya Prajuktir Juge Bhabishatyer Granthagar, Shri Ramakrishna Day Students' Home, Govt. of West Bengal, 16 September 2006
- Lecture on E-Library in the 21st Century, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 11 September 2007
- Lecture on Informant ion Institution: Today and Tomorrow, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 9 September 2006
- Lecture on Internet- based Resources, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 10 August 2006
- Lecture on Information and Library Network, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, 24 June 2006
- Lecture on Books & Bytes, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 25 June 2005
- Lecture on Library Services in the College, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 20 June 2005
- Lecture on Academic Libraries in the 21st Century, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 28 February 2005
- Lecture on Role of Information Professionals in Future India, Diamond Jubilee celebration, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Calcutta 24 February 2006
- Lecture on Digital Library, UGC sponsored seminar on Automation & Networking of the College Libraries of West Bengal in the Changed IT Environment, Maulana Azad College, Kolkata, 14 March 2004
- Lecture on Library Management, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 6 March 2004
- Lecture on Resource Sharing through INFLIBNET, UGC sponsored Refresher course on Current trends on Library & Information Science, Department of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University, 24 January 2004
- Lecture on Library Administration, Workshop for Senior Academic Administrators, UGC –Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 10 April 2003
- Lecture on Library Accounting and Annual Stock Takings: The Changing Dimensions of Library Management, Management Development Programme for Principals of Non-Government Colleges of West Bengal, Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management, Kolkata, 8 January 2003
- Lecture on “The role of libraries in education”, Netaji Nagar Day College, 20 December 2002
- Lecture on INFLIBNET, UGC–Academic Staff College, University of Burdwan, 7 December 2002
- Lecture on Interrelationship between Library Profession & Teaching Profession, in service course for the Librarians of Kendriya Vidyalas situated all over the Country, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Barrackpore (Army), 1 June 1993
- Jano Shikkhar Prosaray Bharammoman Granthagarer Bhumika
- (Talk in Bengali), All India Radio, Calcutta, Date of broadcast -7-1-1993
- Janasiksha Prasare Granthagarer Bhumika
- (Talk in Bengali), All India Radio, Calcutta, Date of broadcast -17-8-1990
- Talk in Bengali: Khela dulay Nitibodh
- (Talk in Bengali), All India Radio, Calcutta, Date of broadcast -4-6-1989
- Agami Sahittyer Anusthan: Discussion in Bengali: Sahitye Samaj Chetana
- (Talk in Bengali), All India Radio, Calcutta, Date of broadcast -27-12-1988
- Granthagar: Jaile
- (Talk in Bengali), All India Radio, Calcutta, Date of broadcast -25-9-1987

Professional activities

- Member, Programme Advisory Committee, 12th Convention, Planner-2024, September 2024, UGC INFLIBNET
- Member, Ph.D. Committee in Library and Information Science, University of Calcutta since 2004 —
- Member, Advisory Committee for Collection Development of Print and E-resources, National Library, 2016
- Chairman, West Bengal Secretariat Library Advisory Committee, Government of West Bengal, Home Department, Writers' Buildings 2015 —
- Expert Member, Modernisation Committee, Bangiya Sahitya Parishad 2015
- Expert, Website Committee, Bharatiya Bhasha Parishad, 2014
- Editorial Coordinators of the Global Media Journal- Indian Edition 2014
- Member, Board of Studies in Library Science, Netaji Subhas Open University, 2013
- Chief Guest, User Awareness Programme on 'Access to E-resources under N-LIST Programme' University Library, University of North Bengal in collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre, 2012
- Member, Expert Committee to Oversee and Guide the Process of the Resource Centre for Persons with Different Disabilities including the Visually Challenged at National Library, Government of India, Kolkata, 2012
- Convener of Exhibition of the 100th Indian Science Congress, 2012
- Member, Library Committee, University of Kalyani, 2012
- Member, Ph.D. Committee in Library and Information Science, Netaji Subhas Open University, 2011
- Member, Committee for conducting the workshop for use of Open-Source Software named DSpace, University of North Bengal, 2010
- Member Expert Committee, Tourism Destination Development of College Street, Kolkata 2010
- Member, Committee for Museum Purchase and Acquisitions for the Maulana Azad Museum, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, 2010
- Member, Expert Committee for forming syllabus of Library and Information Science, Vidyasagar University, 2009
- Member of the Panel of the Judges to Honour Meritorious Stall- holders (Publishers) in the 33rd International Kolkata Book Fair, 2009
- Member Regional Organising Committee, 23rd National Seminar of IASLIC, 2008
- Member, SIG Division of IASLIC for the Year 2007-2010
- Expert Member, 'Best Librarian Award - Modalities Committee' of IASLIC, 2007-2010
- Expert in Information Science in the Library Committee, University of Kalyani, 2006
- Member, Advisory Committee, University Grants Commission, 'Workshop on Widening the Landscape of Higher Education: INFLIBNET Awareness for Colleges', 2005
- Rapporteur General, 3rd International CALIBER-2005, UGC-INFLIBNET, hosted by Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi, Kerala 2005
- Rapporteur General, XXI National Seminar of IASLIC, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 2004-2005
- Rapporteur, International Conference on National Library Services (ICONLIS 2004), National Library, Government of India, 2004
- Member, Editorial Board, IASLIC Bulletin, A Peer-reviewed Quarterly Journal, Published by Indian Association of Special Libraries & Information Centres, 2003-2015
- Member of the Library Committee, Netaji Subhas Open University, 2002
- Member, Editorial Board, The Calcutta Review, Published by The University of Calcutta
- Coordinator of the Journal, SURVEY, A quarterly journal, published by Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management, 1996-1998

Invited by the following institutions as subject expert for selection of teaching, administrative and professional posts

- Assam University
- Banaras Hindu University
- Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya
- Directorate of Technical Education, Government of West Bengal
- Guru Nanak Institute of Technology
- Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur (Formerly BESU)
- Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata
- Indian Institute of Management, Shillong
- Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
- Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata
- Institute of Environmental Studies and Wetland Management, Kolkata
- Jadavpur University
- Netaji Subhas Open University
- Rabindra Bharati Viswavidyalaya
- Railway Recruitment Board, Kolkata
- Siliguri Institute of Technology
- The West Bengal College Service Commission
- The West Bengal Madrasah Service Commission
- Tripura Public Service Commission
- University of Gour Banga
- University of Kalyani
- University of North Bengal
- Vidyasagar University
- Visva Bharati
- West Bengal Central School Service Commission
- West Bengal Consultancy Organisation Ltd.
- West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences

Also served as a subject expert in more than 100 affiliated colleges under the University of Calcutta, University of North Bengal, University of Kalyani and West Bengal State University

Research interests

- Ethics of information
- Information Management Science
- Communication Science
- Environmental Information System
- Intellectual Property and Copyright
- Digital Libraries and Archives
- Human Interaction in Information Retrieval
- Open Archives



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