

Constitution of DULSA



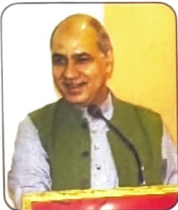
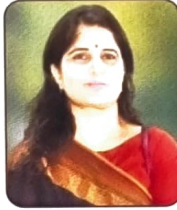
Delhi University Library Science Students' Association (DULSA)

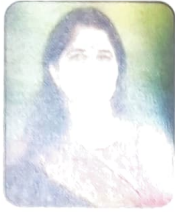
**Department of Library and Information Science
University of Delhi**

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The Department of Library & Information Science, University of Delhi has a students' association, namely, Delhi University Library Science Students' Association (DULSA), which was formed in the Academic Session 1959-60. The constitution of DULSA was debated, drafted and adopted in the joint session of Diploma in Library Science and M.Lib.Sc. students. It was decided to elect a President from the M.Lib.Sc. class and a General Secretary from the Dip.Lib.Sc. class (later rechristened as Bachelor of Library and Information Science). It was decided that the Head of the Department would be an ex-officio Patron of the Association, while one of the Faculty from the Department Faculty would be nominated as Teacher In-charge. The inaugural ceremony of DULSA took place in the Vice Regal Lodge, the main University Building, in presence of Prof. S Das Gupta (Head of the Department) and Mr. Shanti Sarup Saith (Director, Institute of Library Science). Mr. A S Raizada from Dip.Lib.Sc. class was unanimously elected as the first General Secretary. Incidentally, the Institute of Library Science was also established by the Government of India in the Department of Library Science in this year, with Mr. S.S. Saith as its Director and adequate full-time faculty.

Thus the year 1959 happened to be a milestone in the annals of the Department. The 1st batch of students consisted of 80 students, segregated into two sections. The public library system was the main focus of studies. Notably, a group picture of the duly constituted DULSA Body in 1960-1961 is also of immense interest. It is a remarkable historical fact that the photograph was captured 66 years ago in the presence of the then elected President of DULSA, Mr. P.P. Patel, newly appointed faculty members of the Institute of Library Science, and the then Vice Chancellor, Dr. V.K.R.V. Rao.

Though, DULSA has been a vibrant platform for the students for organising professional and cultural activities, such as holding special lectures and field trips from time to time during the session, yet the non-availability of a written 'Constitution of DULSA' has led to difficulties in addressing problems that arise in the functionality of the Association. In order to maintain transparency and functionality of the DULSA affairs, it became imperative to establish a formal framework, as a consequence, the Committee prepared the 'Constitution of DULSA' afresh keeping the historical background in view. (Reference: SINGH (KP). *Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in LIS Courses: Entering into New Vista of Higher Education System*. *Library Herald*. 57(1) 2019; 1-18)

PREAMBLE

Whereas to nurture unity and cross-cultural understanding among students from diverse backgrounds, advancing the Department's mission and goals

Whereas to foster a spirit of camaraderie and collaboration, strengthening teaching, learning, and research ecosystems

Whereas to empower students with democratic values and responsibilities, focusing on civic engagement and societal development, shaping them into responsible citizens

Whereas to nurture holistic growth, blending academic excellence with cultural and spiritual enrichment; and

Whereas to instill empathy, accountability, and respect in interactions, fostering a culture of kindness and social responsibility.

We, the students of B.L.I.Sc, M.L.I.Sc, and Ph.D., unite to adopt and uphold this constitution on this Monday the 20th day of April of the Year 2026.



CHAPTER 1: NAME, OFFICE, AND OBJECTS

1. Name

The Association shall be called the **“Delhi University Library Science Students Association (DULSA)”**, hereinafter referred to as the **“Association”**.

2. Office

The office of the Association will be located within the premises of the Department of Library and Information Science, Tutorial Building, North Campus, University of Delhi, Delhi.

3. Aims and Objects

The following shall be the aims and objects of the Association:

- (i) To foster a sense of community and solidarity among the students within the Department by promoting mutual interaction and harmonious relationships.
- (ii) To enhance social, cultural, and intellectual growth of the students.
- (iii) To facilitate student's participation in various academic, cultural, and professional activities, events, and programmes.
- (iv) To serve as the students' mouthpiece for venting their ideas, plans, and vision and act as an intermediary between the students and the Patron, DULSA.

4. Functions and Activities

The Association will organize the following activities:

- (i) To participate in organizing lectures, seminars, conferences, academic discussions and educational tours.
- (ii) To participate in organizing orientation programmes, and Annual Day functions.
- (iii) To interact with the Delhi University Students' Union for the welfare of the Department students.
- (iv) To organize fresher and farewell parties, local library tours, outstation educational tours, and other social gatherings.
- (v) To take initiative in promoting social service/community outreach programme and creating library awareness among the student fraternity and society.

CHAPTER 2: ADMINISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP

5. Patron

- (i) The **Head of the Department** shall be the ex officio Patron of the Association.
- (ii) The Patron shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the Association functions in accordance with the constitution.

6. DULSA In-Charge

- (i) The tenure of the DULSA Incharge will be one year.
- (ii) Each year, the Patron, either with the approval of the Departmental Council or of his/ her own, by administrative order, shall assign the responsibility of DULSA In-chargeship to a faculty member on rotation basis.
- (iii) The DULSA Inchange shall act as a link between the Patron and the students for DULSA activities.

7. Membership of the Association

The regular students of the **B.L.I.Sc., M.L.I.Sc.** and Ph.D. programmes shall be eligible to become the members of the Association.

Note: While Ph.D. students will be members of the Association, the office bearers of DULSA shall be elected or nominated solely from amongst the regular B.L.I.Sc. and M.L.I.Sc. students of the Department.

8. Membership Fee

- (i) Initially, one-time DULSA membership fee shall be Rs. 800/- per student which may be changed by the DULSA Executive from time to time.
- (ii) Every student of B.L.I.Sc, M.L.I.Sc and Ph.D. programme shall pay one-time membership fee to the DULSA cashier or any other person designated for the purpose. The person receiving the fee shall deposit the collected money in the DULSA account in the designated bank on the day following the date of collection of fee.

CHAPTER 3: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OFFICE BEARERS

9. The Constitution of Executive Committee and its functions

- (i) The Executive Committee will function in accordance with the Constitution of the Association.
- (ii) The Executive shall consist of the following:

- Patron,
 - DULSA In-charge
 - All office bearers of DULSA
- (iii) The Patron or his/her Nominee will Chair the Executive Committee Meetings.
- (iv) In case of any dispute, the decision of the Patron shall be final.

10. The Office Bearers of DULSA and their Terms

The Association shall have the following as elected office bearers:

- (i) **President:** He/she will be elected exclusively from amongst the students of regular M.L.I.Sc. programme.
- (ii) **Secretary:** He/she will be elected exclusively from amongst the students of regular B.L.I.Sc. programme.
- (iii) **Central Councillor:** There shall be one Central Councillor member. He/she will be elected exclusively from amongst the students of regular M.L.I.Sc. programme.
- (iv) **Class Representative:** There shall be two Class Representatives—One each from the regular M.L.I.Sc. and the B.L.I.Sc. programmes.
- (v) **Terms to Hold the Office:** No office bearer shall hold the office in the Executive Committee for more than one term.

CHAPTER 4: DISQUALIFICATIONS

11. Disqualification of the Office Bearers

No member of the Association shall be entitled to hold any office position in the Executive Committee, if:

- (i) he/ she fails to secure at least 50% attendance from the day of joining the programme until the last day of September of the election year;
- (ii) he/she leaves the programme after having taken admission or submit a written resignation to the Patron;
- (iii) he/she has been convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude or punished by the University/Department for any reason;
- (iv) he/she has been found guilty of using unfair means in any University examination.

Note: A mere verbal or simple written warning issued to a student will not be deemed to be a punishment for the purpose of his/her disqualification from being an office bearer.

CHAPTER 5: ELECTION PROCEDURE AND TENURE

12. Election Procedure and Tenure

- (i) The tenure of the office bearers shall be one academic year.
- (ii) Elections to various positions in the Executive Committee will be held within one month from the date of start of the academic session in the Department.
- (iii) The office bearers will be elected either unanimously or through secret ballot.
- (iv) The Patron will appoint an Election Officer from amongst the faculty to conduct the elections.
- (v) The Election Officer will notify the results of the election and submit the same to the Patron.

CHAPTER 6: MANAGEMENT OF DULSA FUNDS

13. Utilization of Funds

The membership fee or any donation received from the students admitted to the regular B.L.I.Sc., M.L.I.Sc. and Ph.D. programmes of the Department will be utilized solely for the activities, described under Section 4 of these bylaws:

14. Operation of Accounts

The DULSA accounts shall be operated jointly under the signatures of the:

1. DULSA Patron (Head of the Department)
2. DULSA In-Charge (Teacher In-Charge)

15. Amendment of the Constitution

A provision of this constitution may be amended if such amendment is agreed to and passed by two-third majority of the total membership of the executive council present and voting in the meeting specially called for this purpose by giving at least 15 days' notice in advance.

16. Interpretation of the Constitution, Removal of Doubts and Difficulties

If any question arises relating to the interpretation of this constitution or any rules framed thereunder, it shall be referred to the Patron whose decision thereon shall be final.

17. Emergency Power

Not with standing anything contained in this constitution, the Patron (Head of the Department) in any emergency may take action as he deems fit and will be final and acceptable to all the members and students.

