

Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati

As Per NEP 2020 Syllabus

Faculty: Humanities

Three Years- Six Semesters Bachelor's Degree Programme

BA-II, SEM-IV (Library & Information Science)

Course Code – 636285

VSC Theory: Information Searching Skill

Level	Semester	Course Code	Course Name	Credits	Teaching Hours	Total Teaching Hours	Max Marks	Internal Marks	Total Marks
5.0	IV	636285	Theory Information Searching Skill	2	2	30	30	20	50

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Course Objective	- To understand the concepts, need, and process of information searching. - To develop skills in identifying and using various print and electronic information sources.								
Course Outcomes:	- Explain the principles and processes of information searching. - Identify and use appropriate print and electronic information resources. - Apply advanced search strategies for efficient information retrieval. - Evaluate information sources based on authority, accuracy, relevance, and currency. - Use search engines, online databases, digital libraries, and institutional repositories effectively.								
Unit System	Contents					Workload Allotted	Weightage of Marks Allotted	Exam Type & Marks	
Unit I	Introduction to Information Searching - Concept and need for information searching. - Information search process. - Types of information needs. - Information-seeking behavior.					8 Hours	8 Marks	Theory-60 Internal Assessment-40 Marks Total Marks-100	
Unit II	Information Sources and Search Tools - Print information sources. - Electronic information resources. - Reference sources. - Discovery tools and union catalogues.					7 Hours	7 Marks		

Unit III	Search Strategies and Techniques - Keywords and subject searching - Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT) - Phrase searching - Search filters and advanced search techniques	8 Hours	8 Marks
Unit IV	Internet Searching and Digital Resources - Search engines and metasearch engines. - Web directories. - Academic search engines. - Open Access resources.	7 Hours	7 Marks
References:	- Chowdhury, G. G. Introduction to Modern Information Retrieval. - Lancaster, F. W. Information Retrieval Systems: Characteristics, Testing and Evaluation. - Baeza-Yates, R. & Ribeiro-Neto, B. Modern Information Retrieval. - Rowley, J. The Electronic Library. - Harter, S. P. Online Information Retrieval.		

