

DEPARTMENT OF SANSKRIT (SAHITYA)

KUMAR BHASKAR VARMA SANSKRIT AND ANCIENT STUDIES UNIVERSITY

PROFILE

1. DEPARTMENT AT A GLANCE:

1.1 Name of the Department	:	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)
1.2 Year of Establishment	:	2013
1.3 E-mail id	:	sanskritsahitya.kbvs@gmail.com

1.4 History of the Department:

The Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) started its journey with introduction of Master of Arts programme with 21 students in 2013 in the temporary campus of Nalbari College. The five year Integrated M.A. in Sanskrit (IMS) was started in 2014 with the enrolment of 19 students. At the initial stage Dr. Kamal Lochan Atreya and Dr. Pranab Jyoti Deka rendered service as contractual teachers where Dr. K.L. Atreya acted as Course Coordinator of the department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) till October, 2015. Apart from this two faculty members, Dr. Basanta Kr. Dev Goswami, Dr. Mani Sarmah and Dr. Goutam Choudhury, Dr. Chabilal Upadhayaya, Dr. Nurima Yeasmin rendered service as Guest Faculty in the department. Dr. Ratul Bujar Baruah joined the department as Associate Professor in 2015 and since October, 2015 he has been serving as Head of the Department. At present, apart from two Associate Professors, there are three Assistant Professors and one Academic Consultant in the department. The department has been trying its level best to fulfill the motto of the University *i.e.* 'सरस्वती श्र्तिमहत्तां महीयताम,' [May the sayings of the wise be glorified.]

1.5 Number of Faculties: 05 (Sanctioned) + 01 (Academic Consultant)

1.6. Programme Offered:

PROGRAMME OFFERED	DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	PRESENT INTAKE CAPACITY
Post- Graduation In Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	02 years	 Candidates with Bachelor degree in Sanskrit (Major/Honours) from any University recognized by UGC with minimum 40% can apply for the course or Sanskrit as a subject in pass course with a minimum 45% from any recognised University or, Śāstrī (equivalent to Bachelor Degree) from any recognised University. 	50
M. Phil	1 Year	 Post-Graduate degree from any recognized University in the relevant subject with 55 % marks or equivalent grade in concerned subject. Eligible candidates will have to appear KBV-RET at the time notified by the University. NET/ SET qualified candidates will be given preference. 	08
Ph. D	3 Years	 Post-Graduate degree from any recognized University in the relevant subject with 55 % marks or equivalent grade in concerned subject. Eligible candidates will have to appear KBV-RET at the time notified by the University. NET/ SET qualified candidates will be given preference. 	06

1.7. Departmental Publications:

Book:	Reflections on Vedic Wisdom
Journal:	Snīthikā (ISSN: 2454-2881)
Wall Magazine: (MA) -	'Śemuși'
Hand-written Magazine -	'Sāhityābhā'

2. Present Faculty Structure:

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Professor:	01 (Vacant)
Associate Professor:	02
Assistant Professor:	03 (01 vacant)
Academic Consultants:	01

2.1 Present Strength:

Sl. No.	Name of the Teachers	Designation	Department	Academic Qualification	Specializ ation
1.	Dr. Ratul Bujar Baruah	Associate Professor & HoD	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	<i>M.A., Ph. D.</i>	Kāvya
2.	Dr. Nibedita Goswami	Associate Professor	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	M.A., M. Phil, Ph. D.	Kāvya
3.	Dr. Kamal Lochan Atreya	Assistant Professor	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	M.A., M. Phil, Ph.D.	Kāvya
4.	Dr. Debabrata Barai	Assistant Professor	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	<i>M.A.</i> , <i>Ph. D</i> .	Kāvya
5.	Dr. Nurima Yeasmin	Assistant Professor	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	M.A., M. Phil, Ph. D., Shastri	Kāvya
6.	Dr. Chabilal Upadhyaya	Academic Consultant	Sanskrit (Sāhitya)	M.A., M. Phil, Ph. D., Shastri	Kāvya

3. CURRICULAR DETAILS:

The Department offers PG Programme in Sanskrit (Sāhitya). Existing PG Programme has 16 papers with 96 Credits (24 Credits in each Semester. M. Phil and Ph. D Programmes have three papers with 24 Credits. However, **CBCS** (Choice Based Credit System) of PG programme has total 100 Credits (4 Credits are not for CGPA).

4. ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

- (a) Organized a talk programme on 'Samskrtālamkāravaibhavam' in 2016. The talk was delivered by Prof. Satya Narayan Chakraborty, former Professor and Head, Department of Sanskrit, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, West Bengal.
- (b) The Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) and Sanskrit (Vedic Studies) have been jointly organising Sanskrit day celebration (with week-long programme) since 2016 under the auspices of University.
- (c) The Department published Wall Magazine 'Semuşī' and Hand-written Magazine 'Sāhityābhā'.

- (d) The Department organized a one day workshop on *Manuscriptology* on 3^{0th} April, 2019, where Tarun Saikia, Archivist, K. K. Handique Library, Gauhati University and Dhanjit Talukdar, Archival Assistant, K. K. Handique Library, Gauhati University acted as Resource persons.
- (e) Organized a residential ten day 'Samskrtabhāşānuśīlanavarga' as Nodal department for the benefit of the University students from 20th to 29th June, 2019, in association with Sanskrit-Bharati. A 'Samskrta-Sambhāşanavarga' was also organised for the teaching staff of the University from 20th to 29th June, 2019, in association with Sanskrit-Bharati.
- (f) The Department organised MSRVVP, Ujjain sponsored three day National Seminar on *Vedas: The Source of Oriental Knowledge System* ' on 9th-11th Feb, 2017 in cooperation with Sanskrit (Vedic Studies). Dr. K. L. Atreya, Asst. Prof. of Sanskrit Sāhitya, acted as convenor of the seminar.
- (g) The Department takes initiative in organizing Govt. of Assam sponsored All India Sanskrit Conference on 'Sanskrit: The inexhaustible Source of Knowledge' on 15th-17th February, 2018. Dr. R. B. Baruah and Dr. K. L. Atreya of the dept. acted as coordinators.
- (h) The Department acted as Nodal Department to organize a one day symposium on *Gandhi in Sanskrit Literature* on 20th Sept, 2019 to be sponsored by Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi, wherein Dr. Ratul Bujar Baruah, Head of the department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) has been entrusted with the responsibilities for coordinating the symposium.
- (i) Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) organised a special talk under Tattvabodha series on "Manuscripts: Understanding the Cultural Heritage of Assam" on 24th January, 2020 in collaboration with IGNCA, NE Regional Centre.
- (j) The Department acted as Nodal Department to organise a one day Symposium on "Contribution of North-east to Sanskrit Literature" on 12th March, 2020, sponsored by Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi wherein Dr. Ratul Bujar Baruah, HoD., Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) was the coordinator.
- (k) An online series of lecture was organized by the department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) in collaboration with IQAC from 10th July, 2020 to 13th July, 2020 on Modern Sanskrit Literature.
- Online Sanskrit Day was organized jointly by the Sanskrit (Sāhitya) and Sanskrit (Vedic Studies) on 03.08.2020 with a week long programme. Renowned Sanskrit scholar Rohini Ballav Goswami was felicitated on the occasion.

- (m) The Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) and IQAC of the University organized five day long online workshop on Prāyogikavyākaraņaśikṣṇa from 6th August to 10th August, 2020 for the Sanskrit teachers of provincialised Tols and secondary schools of Assam.
- (n) The department as the nodal department undertook Field Study to Manas National Park on 9th December, 2020 for students of IMS 3rd semester..
- (o) The Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) signed a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) with the department of Sanskrit, Pragjyotish College, Guwahati on 25th January, 2021 for mutually exchanging academic issues.
- (p) The department organized a month long 'Samskrtavyākaraņakāryaśālā' from 01-03-2021 to 31-03-2021 for the students under School of Sanskrit Studies.
- (q) One day National Webinar was organized by the department on "Samskrtādhyāyanadhyāpane abhinavaprayogaħ" on 3rd August, 2021 in collaboration with Sanskrit-Bharati, NE region.
- (r) Sanskrit Day was celebrated as Sanskrit Week (Online) from 19th August to 25th August, 2021. Various competitions were organized among the students.
- (s) The Department collaborated with Department of Traditional Sanskrit and Sanskrit-Bharati, NE region in the 'Samskrtasambhāṣaṇavargaḥ', organized by IQAC for the

teachers and employees of the University from 07th December to 22th December, 2021 along with the

- (t) 'Samskrtasambhāşanavargah' was jointly organized by the Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) and Traditional Sanskrit for the students of the University from 08th December to 22th December, 2021 in collaboration with IQAC and Sanskrit-Bharati, NE region.
- (u) The Department collaborated with Sanskrit Vedic Studies and IQAC in the Gītā Jayantī, organized by Department of Traditional Sanskrit on 14th December, 2021

5. EXTENSION ACTIVITIES:

- The department collaborated Nalbari Sanskrit College in organizing Ten day 'Samskrtasambhāṣaņa-śibiram' in December, 2017.
- The Department of Sanskrit (Sāhitya) organized a '*Prāyogika-samskṛta-śikṣaṇa-kāryakramaḥ*' in Uttar Nalbari Vidyapeeth High School for 15 days in the month of May, 2019 for the academic uplift of the students.

- An Extension Programme on Sanskrit Studies was organized by the department in Asom Valley Academy Junior College, Nalbari on 28th November, 2019.
- The Department of Sanskrit (Sahitya) organized a '*Prāyogika-samskṛta-śikṣaṇa-kāryakramaḥ*' in Pub-batahghila Vidya Mandir High School, Dhantola, Namati, Nalbari from 13th February to 3rd March, 2020.

6. DEPARTMENTAL LIBRARY:

The Department opened a Book Bank to provide the students a conducive atmosphere for learning. There are one hundred and fifty books in the library.

7. FUTURE PLANS:

- (a) To visit nearby Secondary Schools under '*Prāyogika-samskṛta-śikṣṇa-kāryakrmaḥ*' in order to assist the students in Speaking, Learning and Reading Sanskrit.
- (b) To organise National and International Seminars with a view to contributing to the domain of knowledge.
- (c) To organise talk programmes for the academic uplift of the students.
- (d) To organise 'Samskrtabhāşāunuśīlanavargah' in and outside the University Campus.
- (e) To sign Memorandum of Understanding with the department of Sanskrit of some colleges of the state and outside the state.
- (f) To organise Workshop on Vyākaraņa and Chandas for the students of the School of Sanskrit Studies.
- (g) To provide coaching for NET / SET / JRF aspirants for the students of the School of Sanskrit Studies.
- (h) To organize residential 'Samskrtabhāşābhodhanavargaḥ' for the lovers of Sanskrit as well as students.