Curriculum Vitae of H.P.S. Kalra

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Qualifications

Year	Qualification	Institution	Result
1985	Matriculation	Punjab School Education Board	Ist Division
1990	B.Sc. (Med. Tech. X-Ray)	Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh	Ist Division and Silver Medal
1991	B.Sc. (Medical)	Panjab University, Chandigarh	Ist Division
1992	B. Library & Inf. Sc.	Panjab University, Chandigarh	Ist Division
1993	M. Library & Inf. Sc.	Panjab University, Chandigarh	Ist Division
1993	UGC-National Eligibility Test	University Grants Commission	Qualified for Lecturership
2005	Ph.D. (Library & Inf. Sc.)	Punjabi University, Patiala	Supervisor: Dr.Jagtar Singh
2008	General Course on Intellectual Property Rights	WIPO Worldwide Academy	Ist Division

Experience

Over 28 years of experience in teaching and research, and practice of librarianship and information work.

- Trainee (Library)   May 1993 – Aug. 1993   Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd. Bulk Chemical Manufacturing Plant, Mohali
  - *Organized book and document collection of the plant.*
- Assistant Librarian   Sep. 1993 – Oct. 1995   Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Regional Engineering College, Jalandhar [Now Dr.B.R. Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, - a deemed university]
  - *Organized and modernized the college library, and started resource sharing and document delivery service in collaboration with other Regional Engineering Colleges in north India.*
- Lecturer   Oct. 1995 – Oct. 2001   Punjabi University, Patiala
- Lecturer (Sr. Scale)   Oct. 2001 – Oct. 2006   Punjabi University, Patiala
- Reader   Oct. 2006 – Oct. 2009   Punjabi University, Patiala
- Associate Professor   Oct. 2009 – Oct. 2012   Punjabi University, Patiala
- Professor   Oct. 2012 onwards   Punjabi University, Patiala

Papers taught

- Media and Information Literacy
- Knowledge Organization and Information Processing
- Information, Communication, and Society
- Information and Literature Survey in Social Sciences
- ICTs, the Internet and Digital Libraries
- Reference & Information Sources and Services

Supervision of Doctoral Research

Degree awarded: 8 researchers;   Registered:7 researchers;   Enrolled:1 researcher.

Administrative work at Punjabi University

- Served as Head, Department of Library and Information Science for two terms. November 2011 to October 2014, and July 2018 to June 2021.
- Served as Head, Centre for Advanced Media Studies from January 2020 – December 2011.
- Served as Dean, Faculty of Education and Information Science from January 2020 to December 2011.
- Nominated by the Vice Chancellor in 2020 to represent him in the meetings of the Punjab School Education Board and its various committees.

Publications

Contributed more than 60 publications including articles, research papers, and book reviews in international, foreign, and national peer-reviewed journals, seminar and conference papers, and edited books. Journals to which contributed include:

- The International Information & Library Review
- Online Information Review
- IFLA Journal (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)
- The IASSIST Quarterly (International Association for Social Science Information Service and Technology)
- Pakistan Journal of Library and Information Science
- Journal of Scientific Temper
- Science Communicator: Inter-disciplinary Journal for Science Communication and Journalism
- Journal of Knowledge & Communication Management
- ILA Bulletin (now renamed 'The Journal of Indian Library Association')
- IASLIC Bulletin (Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres)
- SRELS Journal of Information Management (Sarada Ranganathan Endowment for Library Science)
- KELPRO Bulletin (Kerala Library Professionals' Organisation)
- Indian Journal of Knowledge Management
- The Punjab: Past and Present
- Media Mimansa
- Khoj Patrika (in Punjabi language)

Association with Journals and Conference Publications

- Currently serving on Editorial Boards of
  - IASLIC Bulletin (Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres, Kolkata)
  - KELPRO Bulletin (Kerala Library Professionals' Organization)
  - INFOLIB (Jharkhand Information and Library Association).
- Serving as a reviewer for
  - Information Research: an international electronic journal
  - DESIDOC Journal of Library and Information Technology
- Earlier, associated with Editorial Boards of following journals and conference publications.
  - Member of the Editorial Board of 'Mousaion: South African Journal for Information Studies' (2007-10);
  - Associate Editor: 'SALIN: South Asian Libraries and Information Networks: an electronic journal';
  - Member-Editorial board of IATLIS Conference Volumes (2009-11)
- Served as editor of professional society newsletters: IATLIS Communications, and PLA Newsletter.

International Visits to Conferences

- 2013   Abuja, Nigeria   Invited by UNESCO to participate in International Conference on Media and Information Literacy.
- 2015   Paris, France   Invited by UNESCO to participate in European Conference on Media and Information Literacy
- 2016   Jakarta, Indonesia   Invited by the Global Forum for Media Development, Brussels to serve as a resource person for the quadrennial World Forum for Media Development.
- 2017   Berlin, Germany   Awarded Travel Fellowship by the 'Future of Research Communications and E-Scholarship' (FORCE-11) to participate in the FORCE-2017 Conference.
- 2017   Kathmandu, Nepal   Invited as a Keynote speaker by 'Open Access Nepal' for the Asian Regional Conference on Open Access.
- 2018   Seoul, South Korea   Invited by the 'Korean National Commission for UNESCO' to serve as a key speaker at an International Conference on Media and Information Literacy.
- 2019   Sydney, Australia   Awarded IASSIST Fellowship for participation in the 2019 Conference of the International Association for Social Science Information Service and Technology.

Resource Person at Conferences, Seminars, Workshops and Orientation & Refresher courses, and other Academic and Research activities

Chaired technical sessions; delivered invited talks; conducted workshops & tutorials; and served as rapporteur at national and international forums, conferences, seminars and webinars. Organized conferences seminars, workshops, and webinars.

- Served as resource person at refresher and orientation courses and teacher induction programmes organized by Malviya Mission Teacher Training Centres (earlier called Human Resource Development Centres (HRDCs) in various universities:
  - Punjabi University, Patiala
  - Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
  - Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
  - Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati University, Ajmer
  - BPS MahilaVishwavidyala, Sonepat
  - Dr. Harisingh Gour University, Sagar
  - Manipur University, Imphal
  - Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur
  - Guru Jambeshwar University of Science and Technology, Hisar.
- Served as Co-coordinator for a Refresher Course in Education and Library & Information Science organized by HRDC, Punjabi University, Patiala in 2013.
- Served as Co-coordinator for UNESCO and IFLA-sponsored 'Information Skills for Learning' – Information Literacy Workshop organized by Punjabi University in 2005
- Served as Co-coordinator for UNESCO-sponsored 'Training-the-Trainers (TTT) Workshop on Information Literacy for South and Central Asia' organized by Punjabi University in 2008.

Served as Country Coordinator - India for International Media and Information Literacy Survey in 2011-12 sponsored by UNESCO.

- Served as a Resource Person for the UNESCO-sponsored 'National Consultation on Media and Information Literacy: Policy and Strategy' organized under the aegis of Media and Information Literacy University Network of India (MILUNI) in November 2014 at New Delhi.
- Served as Director for Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)-sponsored 'National Seminar on 'Development and Trends in Social Sciences Research and Information Sources' organized at Punjabi University in 2016.
- Served as Co-coordinator for UNESCO-supported Capacity Building Workshop on Media and Information Literacy for Youth and Youth-led Organizations in India, organized at Punjabi University in 2016.
- Served as Co-Coordinator for UNESCO-sponsored Workshop on Media and Information Literacy for Environment and Sustainable Development, organized by Punjabi University Library in 2017.
- Invited by 'Jamia Millia Islamia' (a central university), New Delhi in March 2017 to serve as a resource person for ICSSR–sponsored 'Research Methodology Course' for PhD researchers in social sciences.
- Invited by the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (SICI), New Delhi to evaluate research proposals under its various programmes for 2018-19 and 2019-20 sessions.
- Served as Mentor and Joint Organizer for the IASSIST-sponsored Workshop on Data Literacy for Researchers in Social Sciences, Administrators and Policy Makers, held at MG State Institute of Public Administration, Punjab at Chandigarh in October 2019.

Professional Associations

- Served as the President of 'Indian Association of Teachers of Library and Information Science' (IATLIS)from December 2020 to November 2023. Earlier served as its Joint Secretary (2008- 2011), and General Secretary (2011-2020). Serving as Member – Executive from November 2023.
- Serving as President of the Punjab Library Association (PLA) (July 2021 onwards). Earlier served as its Vice President (1999-2000), General Secretary (Jan. 2008 – June 2012), and Senior Vice President (July 2019 to June 2021).
- Served as Member – Governing Body of 'Indian Association of Special Libraries and Information Centres' (2017-19).
- Serving as Treasurer of the 'Satinder Kaur Ramdev Memorial Trust for Advancement of Librarianship (SATKAL)

International and National Committee Memberships

- Served as Vice Chair of the International Steering Committee of UNESCO-led Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy (GAPMIL) since its inception in June 2013 to September 2019.
- Serving as a Member of the 'Creative Commons Global Network' and its India Chapter.

- Serving as Member of the International Advisory Board of 'Open Access Indonesia
- Serving ng as Member of the Advisory Panel of 'Banglarxiv' – first interdisciplinary preprintservice started by Open Access Bangladesh.
- Serving as a Member of the Working Group of 'Open Access India', and an Advisory Committee Member of 'IndiaRxiv – Preprint Repository of India'.
- Serving as a Member of 'Green Educators' Network', since its establishment in 2016 by the Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi.

Travel within India for on academic and professional assignments

- Travelled across the length and breadth of the country on academic and professional assignments.

- Travelled to 75 cities and towns in 22 states and union territories covering North, East, West, South, Central and Northeast regions.

Training Programmes Attended

- Selected for participation in two-week Training Programme on the theme 'Science & Technology: Global Developments and Perspectives' sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India and organized by the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru in January-February 2019. Chaired two sessions at the Training Programme.
- Selected as a Fellow for the 4th India School on Internet Governance held in November 2019 at Kolkata.

Work in Punjabi language

- Translated the Universal Decimal Classification (UDC) Summary in Punjabi language.
- Contributed a paper to Khoj Patrika (a Punjabi language journal)
- Translated in Punjabi language a World Health Organization infographic on 'COVID-19 awareness' for the Internet Society Rural Development Special Interest Group.
- Contributed an article on Information Literacy for Punjabipedia – a Punjabi language peer-reviewed online encyclopedia developed by Punjabi University.

Reading and Research Interests

- Media and information literacy
- Open access to scholarly information
- Science communication and information
- Social sciences information
- Use and user studies;
- Biomedical informatics
- Ethical issues in information society.

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