

COLLEGE LIBRARY

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COLLEGE LIBRARY

The support of a library at the college level is essential to broaden the minds of the young students to meet new challenges. Compared to school education, college education is totally different for students. There are a large number of students in each class, and therefore, it is not possible for the teachers to give individual attention to each student. However, the students have to, depend on college library for their studies and develop a habit of self-learning. College libraries are further classified in four categories, viz.

1. Junior colleges
2. Degree colleges
3. Postgraduate colleges, and
4. Professional colleges

OBJECTIVES OF COLLEGE LIBRARY

- Give the enrolled students a wider and deeper understanding of the various disciplines;
- Provide guidance to students for higher studies and self-learning.
- Prepare the students for shouldering higher responsibilities in schools, government departments, civic organizations, commercial establishments, business and industrial companies, etc.
- Train them to become more enlightened, knowledgeable and responsible citizens; and
- Prepare them for varied professions like law, medicine, engineering, technology, etc.

FUNCTIONS OF COLLEGE LIBRARY

The basic functions of a college library are to.

- Assist its parent body to carry out the requirements of its teachers and students regarding reading, study and research.
- Provide physical facilities such as functional building, furniture, equipment, etc.
- Provide latest editions and multiple copies of curriculum based textbooks and recommended books for their study.
- Equip the library with a wide range of reference books.

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- Develop collection of latest books in different subjects and periodicals including their back volumes;
- Procure multiple media material and computer-aided teaching – learning material;
- Subscribe to important newspapers and other light material such as popular fiction, biographies, travelogues, art books, etc. for recreation purpose; and
- Preserve previous years' question papers to help the students.

COLLEGE LIBRARY SERVICES

- College library staff provides the following services: Provide reading, lending and textbook services;
- Guide students in the use of manual or computer catalogue;
- Assist in locating books and reference books from the shelves;
- Train and instruct students to use library resources in an effective and efficient manner
- Provide information, reference and referral services to all library members;
- Display new books and lists of multiple media material;
- Procure adequate multiple media material and equipment to render them usable; and
- Reprographic service.

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