

University School of Languages

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About the School

The University School of Languages is a school of seven post-graduate departments of various languages. Out of these seven departments there are two departments, viz. The Department of Sanskrit & The department of Prakrit - Pali which provide the facilities for learning old Indo-Aryan languages. The Department of Hindi and The Department of Gujarati are dealing with two modern Indo-Aryan Languages, viz. Hindi and Gujarati, respectively. By these two departments the school takes care of teaching the national language and the regional language of the Gujarat state. One European language, viz. English, is also being taught here in The Department of English. In the department there is a separate library of The James Reaney Canadian Study Centre, which is sponsored by the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Delhi. There is a department for Urdu and Persian language also, which takes care of another two classical languages. Seventh is The Department of Linguistics, which trains students in linguistic analysis of a language. Thus the school on one end takes care of its national muti-lingua heritage and on the other end the present-day need.

These seven departments are working under one umbrella of the "University School of Languages", while teaching these various languages each department has framed new choice based syllabus (from 2010) to teach a vast range of literature written in that particular language.

Various Departments working in the School

- Department of Sanskrit
- Department of Gujarati
- Department of Hindi
- Department of English
- Department of Pali, Prakrit & Apabhransha

- Department of Urdu & Persian
- Department of Linguistics

Post-Graduate Courses Offered by the Departments

- [A] 1. M.A. (Four Semesters, 6x4 = 24 Courses, 24 Credits, & Two years duration)
 - 2. M.Phil (Four Papers + Dissertation) in Sanskrit, Gujarati, Hindi & English.
 - 3. Ph.D. in all subjects.
 - The Department of Linguistics offers only two subsidiary papers
 M.A. level, And P.G. Diploma in Linguistics.
- [B] 1. Certificate Course in Prakrit, in the Dept. of Prakrit
 - 2. Certificate Course in Apabhransh .- in the Dept of Prakrit

Director of the School

PROFESSOR DR. VASANTKUMAR M. BHATT

Total Faculty - Members

Professors - $\bf 9$, Associate Professors - $\bf 3$, Assistant Professors - $\bf 5$, Total - $\bf 17$

	1. The Department of Sanskrit						
1.	Prof. Vasantkumar M. Bhatt	Professor & Head	Ph.D. Guide				
2.	Dr. K. C .Choksi	Professor	Ph.D. Guide				
3.	Dr. Sunandaben .Y. Shastri	Assi. Professor	Ph.D. Guide				
4.	Mrs. Hetalben . M. Pandya	Assi. Professor					
	2. The Department of Gujarati						
1.	Dr . Kirtidaben S. Shah	Professor & Head	Ph.D. Guide				
2. Mr. Chimanbhai B. Koli		Assi. Professor					
3.	Mr. Anandbhai Vasava	Assi. Professor					

	3. The Department of Hindi					
1.	Prof. Mrs. Ranjna B. Aragade		Professor & Head	Ph.D. Guide		
2.	Dr. Alok Gupta		Professor	Ph.D. Guide		
3.	Dr. Nishaben Rampal		Assi. Professor			
	4. The Department of English					
1.	Prof. Dr. Ranjana Harish	Pr	ofessor & Head	Ph.D. Guide		
2.	Dr. Darshnaben Trivedi	Associate Professor		Ph.D. Guide		
3.	Mrs. Nootanben Kotak	Associate Professor		-		
	5. The Department of Pali, Prakrit and Apabhransha					
1.	Dr. Saloniben Joshi	Professor & Head		Ph. D. Guide		
2.	Dr. D. S. Sharma	Asso. Professor		Ph. D. Guide		
	6. The Department of Linguistics					
1.	Prof. Arvind V. Bhandari	Professor & Head		Ph. D. Guide		
2.	Dr. Nilotpala Gandhi	Professor		Ph. D. Guide		
	7. The Department of Urdu & Persian					
	(Post is vacant)	Vi	siting Faculty			

A view of the building of the USLg (Room Allotment)

- 1. Ground Floor Room no. 1 to 10
- 2. First Floor Room No. 11 to 25
- 3. Second Floor Room No. 26 to 53

Named as / or →	Room	Named as / or	Room	Named as / or	Room
Occupied by	Nos.	Occupied by \rightarrow	Nos.	Occupied by \rightarrow	Nos.
Assembly Hall	1	P.A.to the Director	19	Vacant	37
Vacant	2	Director's Room	20	VACANT	38
Dr. Alok Gupta	3	Dr. K. C. Choksi	21	VACANT	39
Class – Room	4	Dr. Kirtidaben Shah	22	Mrs. H. M. Pandya	40

Class – Room	5	Dr. Ranjana Harish	23	JRF Student	41
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Class – Room	6	Canadian Library	24	Class – Room	42
Dr. N. A. Gandhi	7	Ladies Room 25 Computer Lab		Computer Lab	43
Dr. Saloniben Joshi	8	Language – Laboratory	26	Class – Room 4	
HoD, Dept. Urdu	9	Technician	27	Dr .Nisha Rampal	45
Class – Room	10	Class - Room	28	Dr. Darshnaben Trivedi	46
Reading Room	11	Class – Room	29	Dr. S. Y. Shastri	47
	12	Tea – Club (Common Staff Room)	30	Dr. D. S. Sharma	48
Vacant	13	Store – Room	31	Mr. C. B. Koli	49
Vacant	14	VACANT	32	Class – Room	50
Dept. Library	15	VACANT	33	Class – Room	51
Dr. Ranjana Argade	16	Dr. Nutanben Kotak	34	Class – Room	52
	17	Vacant	35	Class – Room	53
Office of the	18	Mr. Anand Vasava	36		
School					

Infrastructure facilities available in the school

		Total Rooms	Room Nos.
1	Assembly Hall	01→	1 (Ground Floor)
2	Class Rooms	12→	4, 5,6, 10, 28, 29, 42, 44, 50, 51, 52, 53
3	Teachers Chambers (With Personal Computer & Internet)	21→	3, 7, 8, 9, 12, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 32, 33, 34, 36, 38, 39, 40, 45, 47, 48, 49
4	Director's Room	01→	20 (First Floor)
5	Office Room	02→	18, 19 (First Floor)
6	Library & Reading Room	02→	15, 11 (First Floor)
7	Language Laboratory & Computer Room	02→	26, 43 (Second Floor)
8	Canadian Library	01→	24 (First Floor)

9	Ladies Room	01→	25 (First Floor)
10	Teachers Common Room	01→	30 (Second Floor)
11	Store Room	01→	31 (Second Floor)
12	Technician Room	01→	27 (Second Floor)

List of the Past & Present Directors of USL

Sr	Name	Subject	Years
	Dr. Umashankar J Joshi		1957 - 1959*
1	(in new building)	Gujarati	1959 - 1964
	New name of the school		1964 - 1971
2	Dr. K.R. Chandrashekharan	English	1971 - 1975
3	Dr. Anantray Raval	Gujarati	1976 - 1979
4	Dr. A. S. Nagar	Hindi	1979 - 1985
5	Dr. E.A. Solomon	Sanskrit	1985
6	Dr. R.J.Joshi	Gujarati	1985 - 1987
7	Dr. R.A. Malagi	English	1987 - 2000
8	Dr. Y.D. Vyas	Linguistics	2000 - 2002
9	Dr. Vasantkumar M. Bhatt	Sanskrit	Oct-Dec-2002
10	Dr. K.B. Desai	Gujarati	2002 - 2004
11	Dr. Vasantkumar M. Bhatt	Sanskrit	2004 conti

^{*} In the beginning a name of the school was "University School of Gujarati Language & Literature" (1957 - 1964). But after inclusions of other departments in the school it was renamed, viz. "University School of Languages" in 1964. The school is also known as "Bhasa Sahitya Bhavan".

Number of students in the academic year 2011 - 2012

Subject	MA – Sem. 1	MA – Sem. 3	M.Phil		
ENGLISH	54	20	7		
GUJARATI	71	46	10		
HINDI	49	17	16		
PERSIAN	2	1			
SANSKRIT	59	32	9		
URDU	15	10			
PRAKRIT	4	00			
Total ===>	260	131	391		
LINGUISTICS	6	5	11		
PGCC in					
APABHRAMSH					
PGCC in					
PRAKRIT					
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