

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

According to the norms of Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan. The department of English is in existence along with the establishment of the Institution since 1987. In the institution English was taught as compulsory Subject in all three years.

Board of Studies of Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan designs the syllabus, proposed by the members of the BoS. Members of the BoS are selected by circulation method.

As far as the English Department is concerned, there were two professors in the institution from the beginning. The department worked under Dr. Jagdish Anerao from 1987 to 2003 and Dr. Shruti Kikani from 1988 to 2015. Dr. Prakash R. Gajjar joined the department in 2019. He is serving as an associate professor and H.O.D. of the department till today.

The question may arise that, 'why English is taught to all students?' As we all know that English has become global language now. Everybody must learn English to open up window of one's knowledge. Either one lives in city or in village, English is a part of daily life of the people. Even to perform routine work, English has become necessary. English is necessary to use mobiles, computer and technology also. So, the university introduced English as a compulsory subject for all the students of UG.

English has been introduced as a Major / Principal subject in the institution since 2011. English as a Major subject is given to the students under self-finance scheme.

The department is dedicated to teach the global language to the students of the institution. It always wants to give something more to the students in the class of English literature during their study in college. The State government has sanctioned the demand of college for Digital English Language Laboratory (DELL) which has 25 computers. The students of the department learn English language with the help of the computer laboratory.

The college is located in tribal area, so the tribal students of the region do not prefer English as their Principal Subject. Due to some financial constraints and language barrier, the tribal students of the region lack the basic aptitude for English language. The English Department strives to bridge the gap of language barrier and equipped the students with basic skills of English communication.

As we all know that, Knowledge of English is essential to keep pace with the era of IT, computer and advanced communication technology.

To fulfill this requirement, department of English performs its duty very well.

H.O.D. and faculty of Department of English also work with dedication for NIRF, GSIRF, AISHE and IQAC of the college.

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**1. Name of the Department:** English

**2. Year of Establishment:** Since 1987  
Major English since 2011 (Self-Finance)

**3. Names of Programmes / Courses offered:**

**1. U.G. :** B. A.

**4. Certificate Course:**

**1. SCOPE** – Government of Gujarat in collaboration with Cambridge University. Department of English inspires the students to appear for the SCOPE exam. So that they can learn better English. A large number of students enroll for the SCOPE exam every year.

**5. Annual/ semester/choice-based credit system (Programme wise):**

CBCS with Semester from 2011 & NEP-2020 Applied from 2023

**6. Courses in collaboration with other universities, industries, foreign institutions, etc.:**

(I) SCOPE – KCG - Ahmedabad. Collaboration with Cambridge University.

**7. Number of Teaching posts:**

Post	Sanctioned	Filled
Associate Professors	02	01
Asst. Professors	02	02

**8. Faculty profile:**

Name	Educational Qualification	Designation	Specialization	No. of Years of Experience
Dr. Prakash R. Gajjar	M.A. Ph.D. D.C.A.	Associate Professors	Indian English Literature	29
Mr. Jigar K. Kharadi	M.A., Ph.D.(on going)	Assistant Professors	Folk Literature	9
Mr. Jimal M. Patel	M.A., GSET, NET, Ph.D.(ongoing)	Assistant Professor	Science Fiction	3

## 9. Teacher - Student Ratio (Programme wise):

- (1) U.G. -: B. A. - 3: 1200  
B. Com. - 1: 51

## 10. Faculty as members of BoS:

### 1. Dr. Prakash Gajjar:

- Life time Member of English Teacher Association
- Member of Board of Study, H.N.G. University, Patan (2003 to 2005, 2017 to 2019)

## 11. List of eminent academicians and social scientists / visitors to the department

Sr. No.	Name	Subject	Date
1	Dr. Tushar Vyas Arts College - Mansa	Expert Lecture on 'Contribution of Anton Chekhov in English Literature'	10 Feb. 2024
2	Pri. Dr. M.F. Patel Arts College- Visnagar	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	11 July, 2019
3	Prof. K. D. Gandhi Arts College- Idar	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	09 -10, July-2019
4	Dr. K. S. Bhatt Arts College, Himatnagar	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	13,14,15 March, 2019
5	Dr. N. S. Patel Arts College- Idar	Expert lect. On Shakespearean Tragedy.	20 Dec., 2018
6	Prof. Shruti Anerao GPSC – Gujarat	Expert Lecture on Competitive exams.	20 Aug, 2018
7	Prof. Jagdish Anerao Arts College - Naroda	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	17 Feb., 2018
8	Dr. Kiran Nagarkar	National Seminar on "Indian Fiction in English"	9-10 Aug. 2013
9	Dr. Sachin Ketkar	National Seminar on "Indian Fiction in English"	9-10 Aug. 2013
10	Dr. Manoj Soni (V.C. Dr. BAOU)	Inauguration of DELL Lab & Seminar on Research Methodology	9-10 Aug. 2013
11	Dr. Anil Kapoor	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	25 <sup>th</sup> Jan '10 & 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar. '13
12	Prof. Jagdish Anerao	Expert Lectures on syllabus topics in Arts/ Com.	25 <sup>th</sup> Jan '10 & on many other occasions

## 12. Seminars/ Conferences/Workshops organized & the source offunding

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Workshops / Seminar</b>	<b>Date</b>
1.	A Two day National Seminar on Indian English Fiction. In collaboration with ETA	9-10 Aug. 2013

15/07/2024

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