One Week Training Programme on
SOUL 2.0
Installation and Operations

16 - 21 March, 2020

SOUL 2.0
Software for University Libraries 2.0
The State-of-the-Art Library Automation System

Information and Library Network Centre
Gandhinagar, Gujarat
Software for University Libraries (SOUL) is a state-of-the-art integrated library management software designed and developed by the INFLIBNET Centre based on requirements of college and university libraries. It is a user-friendly software developed to work under client-server environment. The software is compliant to international standards for bibliographic formats, networking and circulation protocols. After a comprehensive study, discussions and deliberations with the senior professionals of the country, the software was designed to automate all house keeping operations in library. The software is suitable not only for the academic libraries, but also for all types and sizes of libraries, even school libraries. The first version of software i.e. SOUL 1.0 was released during CALIBER 2000.

The latest version of the software i.e. SOUL 2.0 was released in January 2009. The database for new version of SOUL is designed for latest versions of MS-SQL and MySQL (or any other popular RDBMS). SOUL 2.0 is compliant to international standards such as MARC 21 bibliographic format, Unicode based Universal Character Sets for multilingual bibliographic records and NCIP 2.0 and SIP 2 based protocols for electronic surveillance and control.
The Centre is organising intensive “One Week Training Programme on SOUL 2.0 Installation and Operations” at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar for those who have purchased SOUL 2.0 Software. The training programme provides more focus on the operational techniques of SOUL 2.0 with theory and hands on practice.

**Areas Covered**

The following areas will be covered in the theory and hands on practical:

- INFLIBNET Activities and Services
- SOUL Overview and Administrative Module
- SOUL 2.0 Acquisition Module
- SOUL 2.0 Cataloguing Module
- SOUL 2.0 Circulation Module
- SOUL 2.0 Serials Control Module
- SOUL 2.0 Installation and backup/Restore
- WebOpac Setup and Installation

**Resource Persons**

The resource persons are eminent and experienced Computer and LIS Scientists from the INFLIBNET Centre.

**Target Participants**

Those who are using SOUL 2.0 software or wish to purchase software can also participate in the training programme. A maximum of 20-25 candidates are to be selected for the training programme on First-Come-First-Serve basis.

**Pre-requisite**

Participants should be conversant with basic knowledge of library and information science and basic knowledge of computer operation will be preferred.

**Duration:** One Week (16-21 March, 2020)

**Venue**

The training will be conducted at Information and Library Network Centre, An IUC of University Grants Commission, Infocity, Gandhinagar-382007, Gujarat, India.

**Training Fee**

The registration fee is Rs.7,080/- (Rupees Seven thousand and Eighty only) including GST per person with accommodation. It includes training kit, breakfast, lunch, dinner and tea. No TA/DA will be provided by Centre.

**Accommodation**

The Centre will arrange accommodation during the period of training at INFLIBNET Guest House (A/C Room) on twin sharing basis. The participants must send prior intimation and charges for accommodation along with registration fees. The accommodation will be provided first come first basis.
Registration

The application for registration to the training programme should be submitted online to INFLIBNET Centre on or before 11th March, 2020. Please open this link for online registration: https://hrd.inflibnet.ac.in/login.php

How to Reach INFLIBNET

Road Routes: Gandhinagar is connected to Surat, Mumbai, and Navi Mumbai through National Highway 8A. It is connected to Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Udaipur, New Delhi & Chandigarh through the National Highway 8C.

Air Connectivity: The nearest airport is Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad located at a distance of 15 KM from Domestic flights are available for the Metropolitans and other major cities of India. It also provides many International flights from Ahmedabad to across the world.

Rail Connectivity: The nearest Railway Station is Ahmedabad Railway Station (Known as Kalupur) which is well connected to all metropolitans and other major cities of India. The Ahmedabad Railway station is located at a distance of 23 Km from the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.