



Mission Statement

The University of Guyana Library will strive to support the teaching and research activities of the University. It will provide the necessary human resources and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) to meet the requirements of the electronic age, and serve as the beacon of academic research, both locally and internationally.



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Education and Awareness

The University of Guyana Library plays a crucial role in supporting academic integrity and combating plagiarism. Here's how the library contributes:

- *Information Literacy Session- The Library often organizes tutorials to educate students and faculty about plagiarism, its consequences, and how to avoid it. These sessions cover proper citation practices, paraphrasing, and the use of referencing tools.*
- *Access to reliable sources- The Library offers access to academic databases, journals, and books, ensuring that students and researchers can find credible sources for their work.*
- *Citation Management Tools- The Library offers training sessions on how to use citation management tools like EndNote, Zotero, and Mendeley effectively which help users organize their references and generate citations automatically, reducing the risk of accidental plagiarism.*
- *Inter-library Loan- If a resource is not available in the library, the University of Guyana Library often obtains it from another Library, further supporting access to legitimate sources.*

Featured Library Department

The Learning Resource Centre (LRC)

The Learning Resource Centre is the audiovisual arm of the University of Guyana Library, which houses study and research materials in non-book formats. The LRC provides services such as videography and photography of events both on and off Campus on behalf of the University, facilitates for group and individual use of audiovisual equipment and materials, provides support for audiovisual teaching methods in all faculties and departments and also provide facilities and materials for self-directed learning. The Learning Resource Centre can be found on the ground floor of the Library.



Library Activities

December 2024- The University of Guyana Library hosted its Annual Christmas Tree Light up.



January 2025- The University of Guyana Library received a significant donation of books from the Author, Mr. Sabir Nakhuda.



Symbolic Handing Over Ceremony
L-R: Dr. Diana Gobin, DVC-Finance & Administration, Mr. Moulana Reyad and Ms. Amina Nazhir (representatives of the Donor), Ms. Debra Lowe, University Librarian, Dr. Nigel Gravesande, Registrar

February 2025- The University of Guyana Library observes Black History Month with the theme, *"African Americans and Labor."*



Exhibition showcasing, "Black History Month in the Caribbean Research Library."

February 2025- The University of Guyana Library received a donation of book from Professor Joseph Donovan.



Book Handing-Over Ceremony

L-R: Ms. Debra Lowe, University Librarian, Prof. Joseph Donovan (Donor), Dr. Hector Edwards, Assistant Dean for Administration (SEBI), Dr. Simone Bernard, Deputy Librarian

In-house Training Programme

The University of Guyana Library is hosting its Senior Library Assistant 1 (SLA 1) training programme which is designed to enhance the skills, knowledge, and professional development of library staff, enabling them to perform their roles more effectively and contribute to the overall success of the library. The programme includes participation from sixteen staff members, representing both the Turkeyen and Berbice Campus Libraries of the University of Guyana and thirteen participants from the National Library. The programme is a comprehensive initiative that enhances staff members technical, interpersonal, and leadership skills. It prepares them to meet the demands of a modern library environment, fosters professional growth, and ultimately improves the quality of services provided to library users.

Explore one of the trusted databases

The University of Guyana Library subscribes to several databases, allowing students and faculty to access journals, articles, eBooks, and other resources.

Research4life is one of the databases providing online access to academic and professional peer-review content grouped into five collections:

Hinari- collections of biomedical and health literature.

AGORA- collection in the fields of food and agriculture.

ARDI- gives access to scientific and technical information.

GOALI- focuses on Law and Social Sciences including politics, economics, philosophy, history and more.

OARE- collections of information resources on environment, including ecology, geography, energy and more.



Farewell to Mrs. Gwyneth George



Mrs. Gwyneth George, AA, University Librarian (2006-2024)

Mrs. Gwyneth George, AA, was employed at the University of Guyana for over thirty years after working at the National Library for nineteen years. She also lectured on Guyanese History at the University of Guyana for three years on a part-time basis.

Mrs. George is a Guyanese national and holds a Bachelor in Library Science from the University of West Indies (UWI) Mona Campus and a Master degree in History from the University of Guyana. She has a distinguished career as a librarian, researcher and an administrator and was the recipient of several awards. Among the Awards were the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) Fellowship and the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC) Scholarship. In May 2017, she was awarded the Golden Arrow of Achievement (AA) by his Excellency President David Granger on behalf of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana and in 2024, she was among the recipients for the 25 Influential Women Leaders Award (25IWLA), renowned as Guyana's foremost accolade celebrating women across all sectors.

Mrs. George's leadership skills have been exceptional which resulted in her serving on a number of Boards locally and internationally. She was a member of the Advisory Board of the National Library of Guyana, Executive Member of the Guyana Library Association, Institutional Member of the Executive Council of the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) and works as a Member of the DLoc Partnership Team. Notably, Mrs. George's leadership within ACURIL has been exceptional culminating in the successful bid for Guyana to host the ACURIL's 53rd Annual Conference in 2024, which has been described by both local and international participants as the most successful in the last ten years.

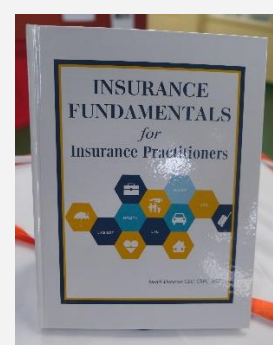
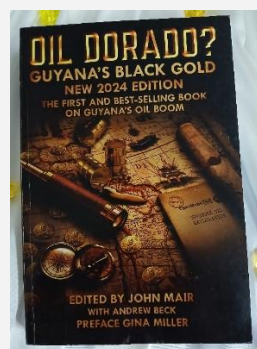
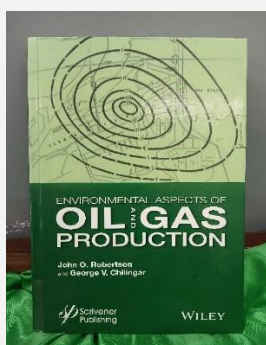
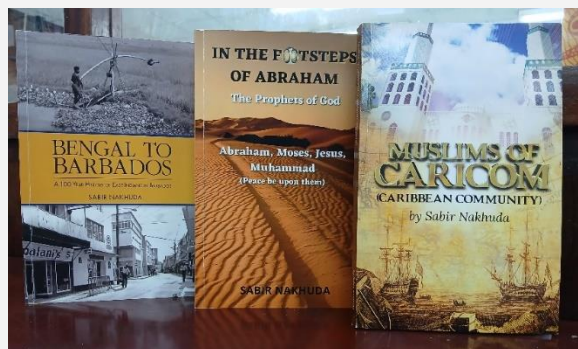
Mrs. George has several published works and was also a frequent contributor to the *History Today* series in Guyana's *Stabroek News*. She made several presentations to local and regional conferences and workshops and also played a pivotal role in developing programs such as the Institute of Distance and Continuing Education/UG Library Technician course. Her efforts have empowered many library professionals in both the public and private sectors to enhance their skills and pursue further education.

Mrs. George retired from the University of Guyana in January 2025, but will always be remembered for her tireless dedication, leadership and advocacy which has significantly contributed to the advancement of librarianship in Guyana.

Submitted by: Ms. Donette Washington

Discover the Latest Additions to Our Library Collection!

We're thrilled to share some exciting new titles that have recently joined our library collections. You can access these books by simply visiting the library. The library's collection has grown by **214** titles during this period. So, visit us today to browse these new titles, be a member of the library by registering and then you can even reserve your copy on our library's website: <https://uglibrary.uog.edu.gy/>



Library Hours

Stop by and explore! Here are our opening hours for this period until further notice:

Monday – Friday: 8:30h – 18:00h

Saturday – 8:30h – 16:30h

Extended Reading Room Hours

We're excited to announce that our Reading Room will be open to give you more time to study, read, and relax.

Extended Hours:

Monday – Friday: 18:00h – 00:00 (Midnight)

Saturday – 16:30h – 00:00 (Midnight)

Sunday – 12:00h – 00:00 (Midnight)

Take advantage of the extra time to enjoy our quiet space, comfort and cool atmosphere. Stop by and make the most of the extra hours!

Book Pick

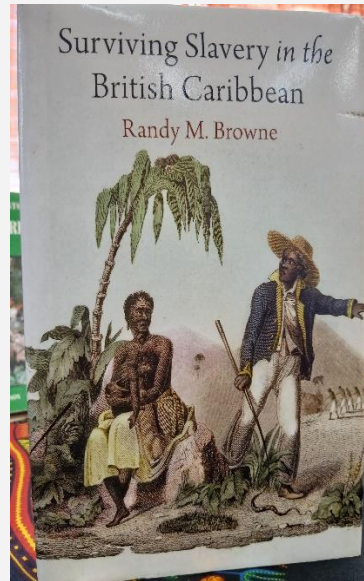
This book is available at the Turkeyen Campus Library, within the Caribbean Research Library with Call #:

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Randy M. Browne is a historian who specializes in the history of slavery and emancipation in the Caribbean, particularly in the British Caribbean. His work often explores the lived experiences of enslaved people, the dynamics of power and resistance, and the social and cultural history of the region.

Surviving Slavery in the British Caribbean examines how enslaved people in Berbice (a colony in present-day Guyana) navigated and resisted the brutal conditions of slavery. Browne uses court records, plantation documents, and other archival sources to reconstruct the strategies enslaved individuals employed to survive, including acts of resistance, negotiation, and community-building. The book highlights the agency of enslaved people in shaping their lives despite the oppressive system of slavery. Browne's work challenges traditional narratives that portray enslaved people as passive victims, instead emphasizing their resilience and resourcefulness. The focus on Berbice provides a unique perspective on slavery in the British Caribbean, as it was a smaller colony with distinct social and economic dynamics.

Did you Know? Fun Library Fact!

Reading for just six minutes can reduce stress levels by up to 68% so grab a book and read today.

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