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Presents

How to Write an Academic Research Paper

(Using MLA Format)

Lecture delivered by

Dr. Neha Nagar

For P.G. (English) Students

Date	Time	Venue
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The Department of English, Maharaja Bijli Pasi Government P.G. College, Ashiana, Lucknow, organised an insightful and academically enriching lecture titled "How to Write an Academic Research Paper (Using MLA Format)" under the aegis of the Kalam Program for Intellectual Property (IP) Literacy and Awareness (KAPILA) on 28 October 2026. The lecture was meticulously delivered by Dr. Neha Nagar for the postgraduate students of English. The session was further graced by the esteemed presence of Prof. (Dr) Sarita Singh, Professor, Department of English, whose scholarly presence and encouragement greatly augmented the academic ambience of the lecture.

The lecture was conceived with the objective of acquainting students with the quintessential stages of academic research writing and the nuanced conventions of the Modern Language Association (MLA) style. Dr. Nagar elucidated, with remarkable clarity, the significance of selecting a cogently focused research topic, formulating a precise and viable research question, constructing a coherent and persuasive argument, consulting credible and authoritative scholarly sources, and organising ideas with logical coherence and scholarly rigour throughout a research paper.

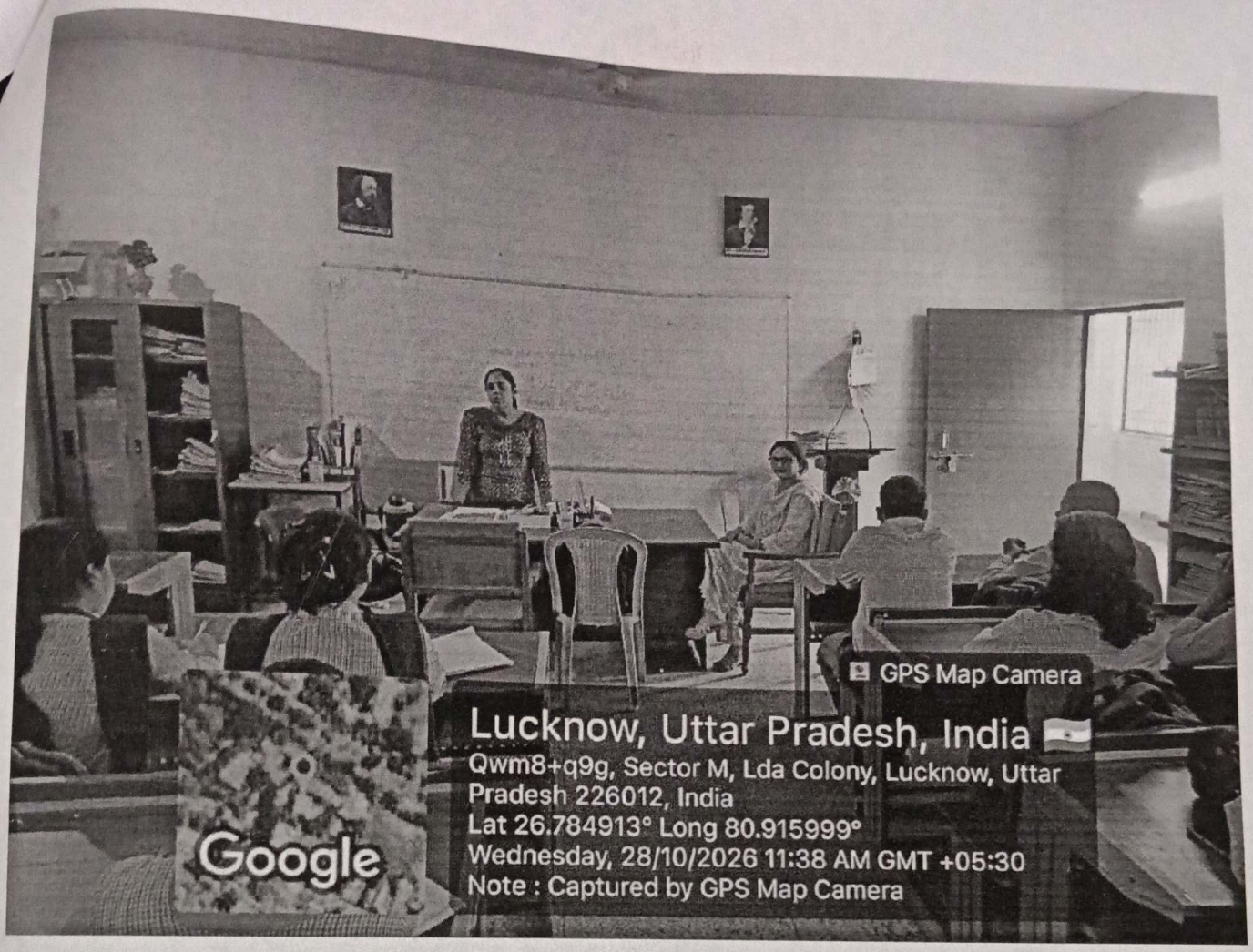
Particular emphasis was laid on the indispensable components of an academic research paper, encompassing the title, introduction, formulation of the thesis statement, critical review and scholarly engagement with existing literature, analytical body paragraphs substantiated by evidence, conclusion, and the Works Cited page. Furthermore, students were comprehensively introduced to the cardinal MLA formatting conventions, including page layout, adoption of a legible font and double-spacing, in-text citations, parenthetical documentation, and the systematic preparation of the Works Cited list in consonance with the ninth edition of the MLA Handbook.

The resource person underscored, with due emphasis, the imperativeness of academic integrity, scrupulous acknowledgement of intellectual sources, and judicious use of quotations and paraphrases to preclude plagiarism. Students were exhorted to transcend mere summarisation and cultivate their own critical and interpretative perspectives, substantiated by textual evidence and engagement with scholarly research. The lecture also accentuated the necessity for consistency in documentation, meticulous attention to stylistic precision, and diligent proofreading prior to the submission of a research paper.

The session proved to be profoundly informative and intellectually rewarding for the postgraduate students of English, as it significantly enhanced their comprehension of research methodology and MLA documentation. It proffered pragmatic and actionable guidance for crafting well-structured, meticulously documented academic papers and inspired students to approach literary research with analytical acuity, critical insight, and unwavering academic responsibility. The presence of Prof. (Dr) Sarita Singh further motivated the students to pursue research with sincerity and scholarly commitment.

The lecture culminated with a compelling emphasis on the enduring value of systematic research, lucid academic expression, intellectual honesty, and steadfast adherence to established scholarly conventions as indispensable prerequisites for academic excellence.

ANNEXURE - PHOTOGRAPH



Photograph: Lecture on MLA Format, 28 Oct 2026, Dept. of English, MBP Govt. P.G. College, Lucknow

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