

## **Empowering Multidimensional Skills with LIS Professionals in the Context of Library Supervision**

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### **Abstract**

*Library and information science professionals are acted as a key role in the academic institutions for sharing and disseminating the knowledge through various traditional and technological methods. LIS professional also require the soft skills for their career advancement, leadership qualities and innovative services to the users. The 21<sup>st</sup> century is experiencing rapid changes in science and technological developments in all fields. Library and information science professionals will ensure the attainment of soft skills such as analytical, creative, flexible, reflective, detective, adaptable, responsive to the needs, self-motivated, enthusiastic, interactive and engaging, tolerant, networking skills, multidisciplinary reader, information literacy, work ethics, and confidentiality. This paper will discuss the soft skills for LIS Professionals, ICT skills for LIS Professionals, supervision skills for LIS Professionals, work ethics and professionalism for LIS Professionals and the marketing skills for LIS Professionals. Added to this, LIS professionals are aware of the changing needs of their jobs and are ready learn in order to build their capacity and skill based competencies through this paper. Finally the study proved that, good leaders in LIS professionals will be produced and the dissemination of information to the customers in traditional and modern technology through various skills will be ensured thereby the LIS professionals are able to support the society.*

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### **Introduction**

Library and information professionals play a vital role in the academic institutions by providing information to the scholars, students and faculty members in various ways, besides through information and communication technology. Library and Information Science Professionals act as information handling managers using various technological tools and traditional methods. Today, the libraries are having printed resources, electronic resources and online resources being disseminated from various tools like internet, databases, and web applications. In this regard, library and information science professionals require additional skills like soft skills, research skills, work place ethics and social responsibility to manage the library in an effective manner for satisfying the customers by providing required information at the right time.