

**ACCESS AND USAGE OF ELECTRONIC JOURNALS BY
THE STUDENTS OF PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH**

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ABSTRACT

The present study investigates the access and usage of electronic journals by the students of Panjab University, Chandigarh, acknowledged as topmost university of India. It also reveals the present informational infrastructure of university library and its services offered to students. The study describes the mode of access and usage statistics of electronic journals; problems faced while accessing online journals and suggestions to improve the offered services. A structured questionnaire is administered among 135 students and out of which 100 filled questionnaires received with a response rate of 74.07%. The outcomes of the study are; Electronic journals are mostly accessed by post graduate students and research scholars; maximum students' use e-journals for research purpose; Most of the students access these resources inside the library and usage level of electronic journals is high among research scholars. Some of problems faced by students are; limited time to use computers, inadequate computer systems, low Wi-Fi bandwidth and lack of instructions & support service.

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