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# **THE IMPACT OF COVID19 ON THE UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA BERBICE CAMPUS LIBRARY**

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# INTRODUCTION

- COVID 19 in Guyana
- Guyana National election impact on BCL
- Working from home

# OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- TO IDENTIFY THE IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON THE BERBICE CAMPUS LIBRARY SERVICES
- TO HIGHLIGHT THE MEASURES TAKEN BY BCL TO EXTEND ITS SERVICES VIRTUALLY





# RESEARCH DESIGN/ METHODOLOGY

## REVIEW OF LITERATURE

# IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON BCL SERVICES

- REGISTRATION
- REFERENCE SERVICE
- LOANS
- LOSS OF EQUIPMENT
- PURCHASES

# **IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON BCL SERVICES CONT'D.**

- PHYSICAL ACCESS TO READING ROOM FACILITY**
- RETURNS / CLEARANCE FOR  
GRADUATION**
- USAGE OF ONLINE RESOURCES**

# BCL REGISTRATION FOR 2018/2019, 2019/2020 & 2020/2021

2018/2019

UA Academic Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	Part time staff	UB Staff	Visitor	Undergrad Student	1 day request	Total
20	3	6	3	0	215	126	373

2019/2020

UA Academic Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	Part time staff	UB Staff	Visitor	Undergraduate Student	1 day request	Total
21	5	5	3	5	149	51	239

2020/2021

UA Academic Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	UB Staff	Visitor	Undergraduate Student	Total
5	3	2	1	57	68

# BCL LOANS FOR 2018/2019, 2019/2020 & 2020/2021

2018/2019

UA Academic Staff	UA Part Time Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	UB Staff	Borrowing Visitor	Undergraduate Student	Total
228	26	0	58	5	1716	2,033
					2hrs	2,677

2019/2020

UA Academic Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	UA Part Time Staff	UB Staff	Borrowing Visitor	Undergraduate Student	Total
174	25	61	37	1	754	1,052
					2 hrs. loan	2,039

2020/2021

UA Academic Staff	UA Part Time Staff	UA Non-Academic Staff	UB Staff	Borrowing Visitor	Undergraduate Student	Total
75	12	3	39	10	12	151



# BCL TOTAL LOANS AND REGISTRATION FOR YEARS 2018/2019, 2019/2021 & 2020/2021

Year	Loans	Registration
2018/2019	4710	373
2019/ 2020	3091	239
2020/ 2021	151	68

## **MEASURES TAKEN BY BCL**

- BOOK DROP**
- REGISTRATION via GOOGLE FORMS**
- REMOVAL OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**
- EBOOKS**
- OPEN ACCESS WEBSITES**
- VIRTUAL INFORMATION LITERACY SESSIONS**



## MEASURES TAKEN BY BCL CONT'D

- VIRTUAL ORIENTATIONS
- VIRTUAL CAREER DAY



# KEEPING THE LIBRARY PATRONS ENGAGED

- LIVE CHAT
- VIRTUAL EXHIBITIONS
- SOCIAL MEDIA

# PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY BCL WORKING FROM HOME

- DIGITIZATION OF THE FOLLOWING:
  - \*STUDENT AND STAFF CLEARANCE  
LEDGER
  - \* ACCESSION SLIPS
- VERIFICATION OF KOHA RECORDS



# PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY BCL WORKING FROM HOME - CONT'D

- DECLUTTERING OF STUDENT RECORDS TRAY
- ORGANIZING OF PHOTOGRAPHS / VIDEOS STORED IN LIBRARY HARD DRIVES
- NEWSPAPERS CLIPPINGS



CONCLUSIONS &  
RECOMMENDATIONS

THANK YOU!