

1. **Name:** Dr. Ajaysinh Chauhan
2. **Designation:** Professor
Department of Gujarati Language and Literature
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Qualifications

- Ph.D.** ‘Anuadhunik Gujarati Kavita’ [May-2013]
Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar
- **Master of Arts (Gujarati)** [2003-2005]
1st Rank-Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar
- 3. **Subject of Specialization:** Postmodern Gujarati Literature
Travelogue Literature, Indigenous Literature
- 4. **Teaching Experience:** 18 years
- 5. **Special Achievement:**
Designed and acted as the First Co-Ordinator of a path breaking course in M.A. Gujarati (Folk and Indigenous Studies) under UGC innovative Programme at N. S. Patel Arts College, Anand, for which the University Grants Commission, New Delhi sanctioned a **special grant of Rs.2 crore**. This was an achievement, as ours was the first ever college in any discipline in Gujarat to receive such a substantial fund for postgraduate course by UGC.

This course provided a fruitful stance for study and research of various areas such as Gujarati Folk Literature, Adivasi Folk Literature, Medieval Ages Literature, and the like. I played a vital role in the formulation and implementation of the course, which can be taken as **an exemplary initiative for the cultivation and growth of Gujarati literature.**

6. Awards and Honors:

1. I was awarded **Ramanlal Joshi Vivechan Paritoshik** for ‘**The Best Critique Book of 2013**’ by Gujarati Sahitya Parishad. (Remarkable in the sense that **the youngest person in Gujarat to achieve this prestigious award.**) <http://gujaratisahityaparishad.com/>

2. I was awarded ‘**The Best Critique Book of 2013** by **Gujarat Sahitya Akadami, Gujarat State.**
3. I won **Scholarship Award –Kavi Shri Harindra Dave Paritoshik from Sardar Patel University** in the year 2005 for securing the highest marks in M.A. Gujarati examination. (Rs.5000)
4. **Yuva Guvrav Puraskar-2016 (Rs.50,000) by Gujarat Sahitya Academy**
<https://gujaratsahityaacademy.com/>

7. **Research Projects:**

Completed a UGC-sponsored Minor Research Project on “An In-depth Study of Dalit Novels Written by Non-Dalit Writers of Gujarati”

8. **Publications:**

Books:

1. *Amrutlal Vegadnu Pravassahitya-* published with the financial assistance by Gujarat Sahitya Akadmi, Gandhinagar. (ISBN 978-93-80294-00-1) (Parshva Prakashan, Ahmadabad)
*The book was prescribed as a reference book for various Universities in Gujarat.
2. Editing of *Sarvatra Ramya Narmada*, a book of Narmada-related essays.(ISBN 978-93-80294-04-9) (Parshva Prakashan, Ahmadabad) Link: <https://parshvapublication.in/product/sarvatra-ramya-narmada/>
3. *Aadhunikottar Kavita* (ISBN 978-93-81002-20-9) (Published by N. S. Patel Arts College, Anand) Link : <https://rrsheth.com/shop/aadhunikottar-kavita/>
*The book was prescribed as a reference book for various Universities in Gujarat.
4. *Adhyatan nu Avalokan* a Collections of Articles (ISBN 978-93-51088-59-2)(Parshva Prakashan, Ahmadabad)
5. *Americani Musafari* (Research-Edited),(978-81-93660-04-1)(Published by Gujarat Sahitya Academy, Gandhinagar)
6. E-Book : *Post modern Gujarati Poetry Series (Poetry of*

Harish Minashru) Link

<https://wiki.ekatrafoundation.org/wiki/%E0%AA%B9%E0%AA%B0%E0%AB%80%E0%AA%B6%E0%AA%AE%E0%AB%80%E0%AA%A8%E0%AA%BE%E0%AA%B6%E0%AB%8D%E0%AA%B0%E0%AB%81%E0%AA%A8%E0%AB%80%E0%AA%95%E0%AA%B5%E0%AA%BF%E0%AA%A4%E0%AA%BE>

7. *Gaam Javani Hath Chodi de I* (Edited) Selected Poems of Manilal H. Patel. Divine Publication, Ahmedabad.
Link : <https://rrsheth.com/shop/gam-java-ni-hath-chhodi-de/>

Research Papers Published: (Selected)

- 1 An article titled *Asal Jivanchhabi Upsavti Jivankatha*-a study-paper on the book ‘Tarasya Malakno Megh’ was published in October 2009 issue of a magazine ‘Parab’.
- 2 A critical essay titled ‘*Varsh 2006-07 ma Nibandh Lekhan: Tosh-Asantoshni Vacche*’ was published in September-November 2009 issue of a magazine ‘Tathapi’.
- 3 An article ‘*Gandhikatha: Maru Jivan Ae J Mari Vani*’ – co-authored with Sudha Chauhan was published in September 2010 issue of a magazine ‘V-Vidyanagar’.
- 4 An article *Saundary Ni Nadi Narmada: Ek Nadi Gatha* was published in Adhit, a book edited by Rajesh Makvana et al. published in February 2011. – ISBN 978-81-848048-8-1.
- 5 An article titled ‘*Punarvichar: Vicharthe Punarvicharni Yatra*’ was published in May 2012 issue of a magazine ‘Shabdasrushti’.
- 6 A research article titled ‘*Potani Kedi Shodhvani Mathaman: Thumbadi*’ was published in March 2014 issue of a magazine ‘Pratyaksh’.-ISSN 2278-9081
- 7 A research article titled ‘*Pratipada – Anu-Adhunik Kavita No Utsav*’ was published in November 2014 issue of a magazine ‘Navni tSamarpan’.
- 8 A research article titled ‘*Gujarati Kavita Ma Aadivas iSanskriti*’ was published in March-April 2015 issue of a magazine ‘Aadilok’. – ISSN 2250-1517
- 9 A research article titled ‘*Navi Said Nav iKalamo: Padkar ZilvoBaki Che*’

was published in April-May 2015 issue of a magazine 'Shabdasar'. – ISSN 2249- 2933

Creative Writing:

Many of travelogue and creative essay published in various Gujarati magazine like 'Akhandanand', 'Kankavati', 'Shabadasar', 'Kumar', 'Parab', 'Navnit Samrpan' and 'Shabdshrushti'.

9. Positions Held:

1. Ex. Registrar, Gujarat Sahitya Academy (Gujarat State Academy of Letters), Department of Sports, Youth and Culture, Government of Gujarat.
2. Member, Gujarati Advisory Board, Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi.
<https://sahitya-akademi.gov.in/>
3. Member, Gujarati Board of Studies:
 1. Indian Institute of Teacher Education, Gandhinagar
 2. Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Velaval
 3. N S Patel Arts College (Autonomous), Anand
4. Ex Publication Secretary, Gujarati Sahitya Parishad, Ahmadabad
5. Ex Member, Gujarati Board of Studies, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
6. Ex Member of Governing Body, Gujarati Sahitya Parishad, Ahmadabad (2009-2017)
7. Secretary, 'Gujaratino Adhyapak Sangh'.
8. Ex. Senate Member, Faculty of Arts, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
9. Member, Gujarati Bhasha Samiti, Sarswati Sannman, K K Birla Foundation, New Delhi.

