

DU logs on to connect with students on *Facebook*

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Bitten by the social networking bug, Delhi University is soon going to have an account on the popular site *Facebook*. In a bid to remain connected to the students, the DU Vice Chancellor is likely to open a new email account that will exclusively look at emails from the students. Both accounts are likely to be created and announced next week.

"Since this year the admission process has changed, admission-related queries are already pouring in from all over, it is going to be just another gateway to provide additional inputs to the aspiring candidate," informed a University professor.

DU Vice Chancellor Dinesh Singh is also likely to announce his new email address before the admission process begins. The new email will help the V-C to interact

directly with the students. "Though the V-C has an official email id, but this one is being created especially to address the concern of the students especially pertaining to admissions. The V-C does receive mails from students there too, but this is a newer proposition," the professor added.

Currently there are some accounts in the name of Delhi University and University of Delhi on *Facebook*. But these are not used by the university management. The Delhi University Proctor's Office and other members do put some information and development related to university on their personal accounts, but the university management does not have any page like this.

The chaos over the implementation of the semester system had kept the management of the university very busy, so much so that the information

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brochure, which is generally prepared by this time of the year is still in the process of being finalised. "In a situation like this, a social networking site loaded with information will certainly benefit the aspiring candidates," added the professor.

However the big question on who is going to manage this account is yet to be decided. It may be handled by the Information Technology department of the university. "Only after the Vice Chancellor returns to office, the details on timing and managing the account will be worked out," the professor informed.

The V-C who is out of the country is likely to join office from Monday.

