Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University was established in 2012. The initial Ordinance of 2012 was replaced in April 2013 by the Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University Act 2013.

The University came into being on 1st November 2012. The primary objective of the University is the promotion of study and research of Malayalam language, literature and Kerala culture. The territorial limits of the University extend to the whole of India. Malayalam University envisages only postgraduate level of education in various fields like Malayalam language, literature, media, humanities and the social sciences through the medium of Malayalam. The cultural and intellectual heritage of Kerala is a major area identified for postgraduate and specialized study.

The University is mandated to take up advance research projects as well as action research to study, document and preserve various cultural expressions and manifestations. Besides, the University will also take up research work to make Malayalam resilient to the possibilities of IT.

Objectives

- make the study of Malayalam language, literature and culture more relevant,
- offer postgraduate courses with high academic quality,
- offer job-oriented diploma courses,
- take up culturally and academically relevant projects,
- initiate research in critical areas,
- undertake publication of books and journals,
- pursue activities aimed at enriching Malayalam language to the needs of the day,
- encourage translation of Malayalam works into other Indian and foreign languages,
- and take up such studies, activities and projects that would make Malayalam capable of handling any area of knowledge at all levels.