Vijayanagara Sri Krishnadevaraya University (VSKU) is a State University Established by the Government of Karnataka under the Karnataka State Universities Act 2000. It is an affiliating university with about 100 affiliated colleges offering both undergraduate and postgraduate programs. The university covers the districts of Bellary and Koppal.

The region under the jurisdiction of the university is considered economically and educationally backward compared to national and state average. Hence the university endeavors to embark on innovative means of higher education in order to make it both qualitative and affordable.

VSKU has two post graduate campuses. The main campus, "Jnana Sagara" is located at Vinayaka Nagar, Bellary. The campus is spread over an area of about 100 acres, houses all the key administrative departments of the university as well as 14 post graduate departments.

The second campus "Jnana Sarovara" is located at Nandihalli in Sandur Taluka of Bellary District. This lush green campus has 10 post graduate courses with adequate hostel facilities both to boys and girls as well as accommodation to faculty.