

## Fees

		<b>Local SL Rs.</b>
Application Fee	Rs.	3,000/-
<b>MBS</b>		
Registration Fee	Rs.	5,000/-
Library Fee	Rs.	1,500/-
Refundable Library De- posit (Optional) (per card)	Rs.	5,000/-
Examination Fee (per paper * 10 Papers)	Rs.	20,000/-
Course Fee	Rs.	205,000/-
<b>Total Course Fee</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>236,500/-</b>

## How to apply Information

Application forms and other information can be obtained from the Senior Assistant Registrar, University of Colombo, 35/30, Prof. Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 07.

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# UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO

## FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES

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# Master of Business Studies

## (MBS) - 2021

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**(Duration: One year)**

**Weekends**

## Introduction

The Master of Business Studies (MBS) is a one-year programme that comprises of nine taught modules and an independent study. The programme is specially designed for those with modest work experience seeking to engage in postgraduate studies with a view of career enhancement in business or management. This course provides a broad introduction to key aspects of business and gives an excellent preparation for a career in management. It combines the theory and practice of management. It involves the participant in a demanding process of personal and managerial development, providing them with opportunities to reflect upon existing behavior and attitudes using business and management concepts.

This creates immense opportunities for the participant for their career enhancement as it fulfils the present expectations of employers in the private sector who demand qualifications and training beyond the basic degree particularly under liberalized economic policies in Sri Lanka. The success of industrial and commercial enterprises under these economic policies is heavily dependent on efficient business management. The MBS is expected to bridge the gap between the academic knowledge gained during a first degree, and the management needs in the currently competitive business arena. Graduates who have performed well in their degree courses will now have the opportunity to improve their practical skills, including their use of English. This course incorporates, management related subjects, language learning and a period of internship in a business firm thereby enabling participants to enhance their competitiveness in the labour market.

## Course Objectives

Managing a business requires the knowledge in planning and enhancing individual managerial understanding and effectiveness to develop and maintain sound working relationships with a diverse group of individuals in the management process. Thus, upon successful completion of the programme the participants will be equipped with:

- A critical understanding of the body of knowledge and research relating to business management.
- An ability to review and evaluate the appropriateness and potential value of concepts, models and techniques to the effective management of business organizations.
- A broad-base of knowledge and skills in business and management that will enable you to develop a successful career as a manager.
- An ability to engage in business management research.

## Admission Requirements

The participant should meet the following minimum entry requirements:

- A Bachelor's degree from a recognized university/institution in Business Studies / Management; or
- Any other Bachelor's degree, with prior learning/work experience in Business Studies / Management; or
- Postgraduate Diploma (SLQF 8) from a recognized university/institution or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Faculty Board and the Senate with prior learning/ work experience in Business Studies / Management; or
- Professional qualification in Business Studies / Management from a recognized professional body which is acceptable to the Faculty Board and Senate with prior learning/ work experience in Business Studies / Management; or
- Completion of NVQ Level 7 (Equivalent to Bachelors degree in SLQF) with relevant work experience in Business Studies / Management as determined by the Faculty Board and Senate

And

- A Good knowledge of English language and satisfactory performance at a selection test / Selection interview.

## Medium and Methods of Instruction

English will be the medium of instruction. Seminars and course material will be in English as well. Students will be required to sit the end-of-year examination and write the Independent Study. This programme intends to provide knowledge not only in a theoretical sense but also at a practical decision-making level. Teaching methods will therefore place less emphasis on lectures and greater emphasis on case studies, role playing, business games and the internship exercise.

## Structure of the Programme

The proposed Masters in Business Management will include;

- (i) Nine course modules
- (ii) Independent Study running into approximately 8,000 words.

## Course Modules

### Semester I

MBS 6101 Management Theory and Practice

MBS 6102 Managerial Economics

MBS 6103 Quantitative Analysis for Business

MBS 6104 Accounting and Finance

MBS 6105 Human Resource Management

### Semester II

MBS 6201 Marketing Management

MBS 6202 International Business Environment

MBS 6203 Strategic Management

MBS 6204 Research Methods

MBS 6205 Independent Study

## Faculty

### Dean/Faculty of Graduate Studies

*Senior Professor Nayani Melegoda PhD (Leeds UK)*