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**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN  
DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**

PGDip (Dev St) - 2024/25

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**Course Fees**

|   | LOCAL STUDENTS       | FOREIGN STUDENTS |
|---|----------------------|------------------|
| <b>APPLICATION FEE</b>  |                      |                  |
| Application Fee   | LKR 3,000/=          | 40 USD           |
| <b>PROGRAMME FEE</b>  |                      |                  |
| Registration Fee  | LKR 5,000/=          | 65 USD           |
| Course Fee  | LKR 152, 500/=       | 1968 USD         |
| Library Fee   | LKR 1,500/=          | 19 USD           |
| Examination Fee   | LKR 16,000/=         | 206 USD          |
| <b>TOTAL FEE</b><br>Excluding Refundable Library<br>Deposit & Application Fee | <b>LKR 175,000/=</b> | <b>2258 USD</b>  |
| <b>OPTIONAL</b>   |                      |                  |
| Refundable Library<br>Deposit   | LKR 5,000/=          |                  |

SLQF LEVEL - 8 (NO. OF CREDITS - 25)

**PGDip (Dev St)**

One Year / Weekend programme

## INTRODUCTION

The Postgraduate Diploma in Development Studies - PGDip (Dev St) provides knowledge in multidisciplinary fields paying special attention to the current needs of the developing countries. The curriculum of the programme is designed to treat development issues in a multi-disciplinary context.

## OBJECTIVE

Objective of the program is to provide in-depth understanding of development related issues and discourses, both theoretical and practical.

## TARGET GROUP

The purpose of this program is to ensure that there is qualified, efficient, and innovative individuals are available to satisfy the challenging needs of qualified staff in public and private institutions in Sri Lanka. The program is designed to cater to those who are actively involved in development related activities and those who are planning to involve in such activities in the future. They may belong to various training, educational backgrounds and disciplines such as Economics, Geography, Sociology, Political Science, History, Demography, Law, Science, Management, Medicine and other disciplines.

## MEDIUM AND METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

English will be the medium of instruction. The teaching method will be online with the application of hybrid mode for review workshops. Candidates can follow the courses of study from their place of work or residences and they are not required to come to the University to attend the lectures. Candidates will be required to sit the written examination. This programme intends to provide knowledge in a theoretical sense as well as at a practical level.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- (i) A Bachelor's degree from a recognized University/Institution in development studies or related subject area; OR
  - (ii) Any other Bachelor's degree, with prior learning/work experience in development studies or related subject area; OR
  - (iii) Professional qualification in development studies or related subject area from a recognized professional body acceptable to the Faculty Board and Senate of the University with prior learning/ work experience in development studies or related subject area; OR
  - (iv) Completion of NVQ level 7 (equivalent to Bachelor's degree in SLQF) with relevant work experience in development studies or related subject area as determined by the Faculty Board and the Senate; OR
  - (v) Diploma or Higher Diploma from the University of Colombo or an equivalent qualification to SLQF Three/Four (03/04) with two/three years relevant work experience in development studies or related subject area as determined by the Faculty Board and Senate of the University; AND
- ✔ A good knowledge of English language and satisfactory performance at a selection test and/or selection interview.
  - ✔ Each application under clause (iv) and clause (v) shall be considered on its merit.

## COURSE MODULE

### SEMESTER I

PGDip Dev St 5101 - Development: Theory and Practice  
PGDip Dev St 5102 - Current and Emerging Development Issues

PGDip Dev St 5103 - An Introduction to Social Research  
PGDip Dev St 5104 - Globalization and Development

### SEMESTER II

PGDip Dev St 5201 - Sri Lankan Economy: Past, Present and Future Outlook  
PGDip Dev St 5202 - Development: Roles of the Stakeholders  
PGDip Dev St 5203 - Reading in Development Literature  
PGDip Dev St 5204 - Environment and Development

## HOW TO APPLY

Application form can be downloaded from the Faculty website [fgs.cmb.ac.lk](http://fgs.cmb.ac.lk). Completed application form along with the certified copies of National Identity Card, Birth Certificate, relevant educational and professional qualifications and work experience (if any) and payment slips should be scanned and sent via email ([pgdds@fgs.cmb.ac.lk](mailto:pgdds@fgs.cmb.ac.lk)). In addition, the photo copies of original certified documents should also be sent through the registered post to reach the Deputy Registrar, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Colombo, No 35/30, Prof. Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 07 on or before **30<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. Please mention the programme name on the left side of the envelope.

Application fee of **LKR 3,000/= (Local Students)/ 40 USD (Foreign Students)** can be paid by using the code **318561200000** through any People's Bank Branch or by using the online payment portal ([pay.cmb.ac.lk](http://pay.cmb.ac.lk)).

