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Duration  
One Year



Medium  
English



During  
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Apply on or  
before  
**15<sup>th</sup>**  
**October**  
**2025**

## Postgraduate Diploma in **COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT**

(Leading to Masters)

(PgDCP) 2025/26 - Onsite Lectures

Weekend Programme (Saturday 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.)



# Introduction

The objective of the Postgraduate Diploma is to equip students with skills to design and manage a basic psychosocial intervention or programme and to critically assess the impact of these. At an individual level, on completion of the programme, students will be able to provide counselling for psychosocial problems while engaging in basic self-care and maintaining ethical professional conduct. Students will be able to apply assessment, planning and intervention skills in relation to both counselling as well as community or systems level responses to prevent or mitigate the effects of psychosocial concerns. This program also attempts to explore the possible interaction with community engagement and promotes practical real-world experiences with regard to psychosocial support.

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## Admission Requirements

- A Bachelor's degree from a recognized University/ Institution in a field relevant to the subject matter/s of the PGDCP; **OR**
- Any other Bachelor's degree from a recognized University/ Institution with one year's work experience relevant to the subject matter/s of the PGDCP; **OR**
- Professional qualification or an equivalent qualification from a recognized professional body acceptable to the Faculty Board and the Senate of the University with one years' work experience in the field of PGDCP; **OR**
- Any other Higher Diploma from a recognized University/ Institution or an equivalent qualification so recognized by the Faculty Board and the Senate of the University of Colombo with three years' work experience in the field of PGDCP; **AND**
- Satisfactory performance at a selection test and/or selection interview; **AND**
- A good knowledge of English language.

## How to Apply

Applications can be downloaded from the faculty website ([fgs.cmb.ac.lk](http://fgs.cmb.ac.lk)). Duly completed application form, certified copies of National Identity Card, birth certificate, relevant educational and professional qualifications, and work experience (if any) along with a scanned copy of the payment slip (of application processing fee) should be submitted via Apply Online weblink. (All above documents should be submitted as one PDF document.) Application fee **LKR 3000 (Local students) or 40 USD (Foreign students) (non-refundable)** can be paid using the code **318621500008** as the reference number at any Peoples' Bank branch or using our online payment portal ([pay.cmb.ac.lk](http://pay.cmb.ac.lk)),

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**AND**

Completed application form and the photocopies of above mentioned original certified documents along with the payment slip 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. Please mention the programme name on the left side of the envelope.

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## Resource Persons

**Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies**  
Professor A. A. Azeez

**Director of Studies**  
Professor K. Dissanayake

**Course Coordinator**  
Dr. H. M. C. J. Herath

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## Course Modules

### Semester I

PgDCP 5101 : Introduction to Counselling Skills  
PgDCP 5102 : Theories & Approaches in Counselling  
PgDCP 5103 : Key Psychosocial Issues & Problems  
PgDCP 5104 : Seminars on Practical Application of Counselling Skills / Field Training

### Semester II

PgDCP 5201 : Introduction to Psychosocial Interventions: Theories, Approaches & Ethics  
PgDCP 5202 : Implementing Psychosocial Interventions: Needs Assessment, Monitoring & Evaluation, and Programme Management  
PgDCP 5203 : Practice Placement (Independent Practice – based study)  
PgDCP 5204 : Placement Report (Words 8,000)

