

Geography is a holistic subject!

Geography is mother of science.

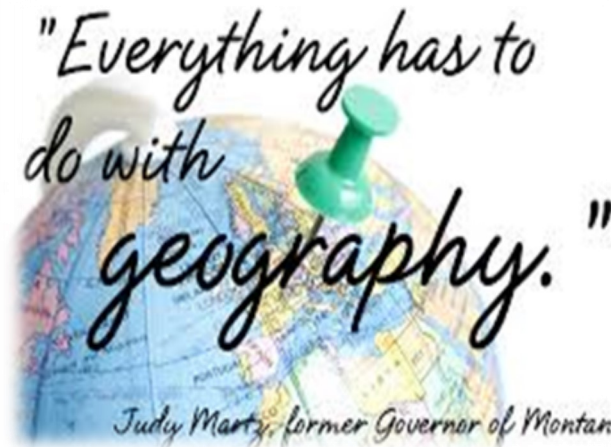
### Course duration

04 months (Saturdays only 8.30am –4.00 pm)

### Medium of instruction

**Sinhala,  
Tamil  
&  
English**

*Conserve Geography  
before it becomes  
History*



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**“TEACHING TECHNIQUES OF  
GEOGRAPHY”**

**(FOR GEOGRAPHY TEACHERS )**



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## Introduction

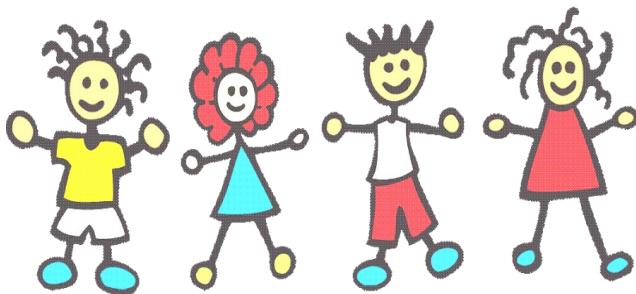
Geography is a multi-disciplinary subject in the field of Social sciences. Although, it is a subject which has a high demand; the recent past has witnessed a slight regressive trend in relation to A/L students, selecting Geography as a subject. According to our analysis, the students have a common perception that Geography is a difficult subject. The major reason behind this is the lack of subject knowledge and the incorrect method of teaching.

This course will enhance and upgrade your knowledge in application of modern techniques in Geography, such as cartography/mapping, IT/GIS applications and selection and answering of questions etc.

Department believes that this course will improve the service quality and delivery standards of the teachers, thereby attracting more students towards this subject.

**Resource persons :**

**Expertise with in the University systems**



## Course Objectives

### Main Objective

To train school teachers in teaching Geography, as a subject and upgrade their subject knowledge in the field of Geography in order to meet the changing requirements of this subject area.

### Specific objectives

- To establish the importance of Geography, as a multi-disciplinary subject.
- To discuss the contents of the A/L syllabus and relevant changes in Geography.
- To select appropriate tools and teaching techniques for Geography
- To resolve possible issues in learning and teaching Geography.
- To practice the applicability of such techniques in teaching Geography.

## Course duration

**Sixteen weeks (four months) only on  
Saturday 8.30 a.m. — 4.00 p.m.**

## Entry requirement

Minimum two years teaching experience in Geography

## Course content

- ⇒ Recent trends of geographical study.
- ⇒ Importance of practical geography.
- ⇒ Various types of maps and new cartographic techniques.
- ⇒ Types of data.
- ⇒ Statistical techniques and their applications.
- ⇒ Preparation of statistics based diagrams.
- ⇒ Interpretation of data.
- ⇒ Importance of map marking.
- ⇒ Geo-informatics information (Eg. GIS, RS...).
- ⇒ Construction of multiple choice questions (MCQ).
  - Designing of right set of MCQ
  - Selecting accurate answer
  - Quick answering techniques
  - Importance for enrichment of general knowledge on geography
- ⇒ Examination techniques
  - Selection of suitable questions
  - Effective ways of answering system-Essay type questions
  - Attention for selection of correct number of questions
  - Ways of attractive answering methods
  - Time management

Further information can be obtained from

<http://www.cmb.ac.lk/academic/arts/Geo/index.htm>

**Course Fee 15000/-**

**Closing date for applications 28.02.2016**