## Fees

Rs. 500,000/- (Excluding University Administrative Fees)

-First Instalment: Rs. 300,000/- (Upon Selection)

-Second Instalment – Rs. 200,000/- (Before commencement of second year)

Please note that different course fees are applicable for foreign students as per the University policy



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# UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO SRI LANKA

# Department of International Relations

Master of Philosophy (MPhil) leading to Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in International Relations

2022-2025



# INTRODUCTION

The Department of International Relations, the premier department in the University sector in Sri Lanka, has been the home to International Relations luminaries. A pioneer in introducing International Relations to undergraduates (from 1970s onward) and to graduate the Masters of Arts in International Relations (MAIR) from 1985 onward). The department continues this role through the MPhil/PhD program.

## MPHIL/PHD PROGRAMME

The MPhil/PhD is a three-year degree program. All who are selected to enter the program are taken in at the MPhil level, with the provision of upgrading to PhD level once all the requirements are completed. The upgrading is depended on the progress made during the first 15 months of the program. If a student who already has an MPhil and/or PhD, they will be evaluated on a case-bycase basis for direct entry into the PhD program.

#### **MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION: English**

### **PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

- Once chosen, the student will be guided by one or more Supervisors, who he/she must consult for a minimum six times per year.

 Once the student begins the MPhil/PhD program, he/she must submit bi-annual Progress Reports, Paper Submissions and face two viva voce panels.

- Selected candidates are required to attend five workshops. Concurrently, the students must, in consultation with their Supervisors, develop his/her research.

#### YEAR I: MPhil Candidate

-Online seminars

-Workshops: 3 workshops (Method and Methodology; Research Design; Literature Survey) \*A student can obtain exemption if she/he can provide documented proof of taking a similar course from a different university.

- Supervision by specialist/s
- Submission of proposal

#### YEAR 2: MPhil to PhD Candidate

- -Workshops: 2 workshops (Application of Research
- Methods; Entering the Research Field)
- -Progress Presentations
- -Upgrading Seminar: Viva Voce

#### YEAR 3: Doctoral Candidate

-Progress Presentations -Pre-Submission Defence -Defence: Viva Voce

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

(i) A two-year Master's degree with either coursework and research or by research from a recognized university/institution in a discipline relevant/related to the proposed research (an entry-level qualification equivalent to SLQF Level);

#### Or

(ii) A one-year Master's degree from a recognized university/institution, with experience and/or research in the relevant field (an entry-level qualification equivalent to SLQF Level 9 plus experience and/or research in the relevant field);

#### Or

(iii) A Bachelor's Honours degree in the relevant field or related subject with a First Class pass from a recognized university/institution, with experience and/or research in the relevant field (an entry-level qualification equivalent to SLQF Level 6)

Admission to the course will be made after an interview conducted by a Selection Committee.