Introduction

The practical relevance of sociology in development activities is widely recognized throughout the world today. Graduate studies in sociology essentially contributes to creating sociologists with analytical and applied skills.

The Department of Sociology of the University of Colombo has the expertise necessary to conduct such an advanced graduate studies program. The University of Colombo, the oldest metropolitan university in the country is able to extend its services to a wide range of students coming from within and outside the city.

This course is specially intended to advance the theoretical knowledge of the students with regard to sociological issues.

Course Objectives

- To provide the student with a sound knowledge of theoretical and methodological aspects of sociology
- To improve the students' ability to critically analyse society in its various dimensions.
- To develop sociological insights into current social environments and problems

Course Structure & Duration

The course will be taught over a period of two academic years. The candidates are required to take eight courses. The ninth unit will be the research design formulated as a reading course for which the candidates are expected to work with the supervisor assigned. In the Second year of study students are expected to write a dissertation on a selected topic. A candidate shall not be permitted to sit for the final examination unless she/he has followed at least 80 percent of the classes held. Classes will be held in the evening and on weekends.

Course content

- MAS 601 Sociological Theory (Compulsory)
- MAS 602 Sociological Research Methods (Compulsory)
- MAS 603 Sociology of Development
- MAS 604 Sociology of Agrarian Societies
- MAS 605 Sociology of Work and Industrial Relations
- MAS 606 Sociology of Social Issues
- MAS 607 Sociology of the City and Urban Development
- MAS 608 Sociology of Civil Rights and Social Exclusion
- MAS 609 Sri Lankan Ethnographies
- MAS 610 Psycho Social Problems in Contemporary Sri Lanka
- MAS 611 Society and Environment
- MAS 612 Sociology of Health & Medicine
- MAS 613 Social Policy and Social Development
- MAS 614 Sociology of Nationalism and Ethnic Relations
- MAS 615 Qualitative Research Methodology
- MAS 616 Quantitative Data Analysis in Social Research
- MAS 617 Sociology of Religion
- MAS 618 Sociology of Education

The courses that will be offered each year will vary depending on the availability of course instructors.

Method of Evaluation

- (i) 50% of marks shall be allocated through a system of continue assessment based on class participation and term papers
- (ii) The minimum pass mark is 50% for all courses and the research design.
- (iii) A candidate who does not satisfy the minimum conditions for a papers in the course shall repeat the exam in two further attempts.

Eligibility

The entry requirements are:

(a) B.A. Special Degree in Sociology from a recognized University with at least a second class honours

(b) General Degree in Arts with Sociology as a subject with first class or second class (upper division)

or

- (c) B.A. Special Degree in Sociology with a Postgraduate Diploma in a relevant field. or
- (d) M.A.Q in Sociology and
- (e) Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Sociology with at least a Merit Pass

or

The applicants with the necessary qualifications are required to appear for **an interview** at the department. Final selection of candidates shall be the responsibility of the Department subject to Faculty/ Senate approval.

Medium of instruction will be **Sinhala/English**. However, students will be expected to read extensively in the English Language.

Lecture Hours

Course Eees

Saturday 8.00 am - 5.00 pm.

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Application Fee	Rs. 2,000.00
Registration Fee	Rs. 5,000.00
Library Fee	Rs. 2,000.00
Library deposit (refundable)	Rs. 5,000.00
Examination Fee	Rs. 6,000.00
Course Fee	Rs. <u>130,000.00</u>
Total	150,000.00

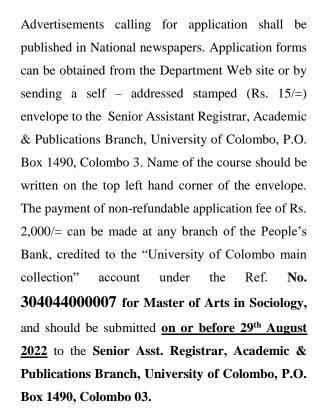
Course Lecturers

- * Senior Professor Premakumara de Silva (Chair of Sociology)
- * Prof. F.F. Hanifa (Head/Sociology)
- * Dr. Jagath Bandara Pathirage

(MA Co-ordinator)

- * Prof. Chandrasiri. Niriella
- * Prof. Subhangi MK Herath
- * Prof. Chandani Liyanage
- * Prof. .Nishara Fernando
- * Prof. Iresha Lakshman
- * Prof. Gameela Samarasinghe
- * Dr. M.T.M. Mahees
- * Dr. Dilrukshi Abeysinghe
- * Mr. Jagath Wellawatta

Application



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