



Masters in Buddhist Studies & Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies 2023/2024

Department of Buddhist Studies
University of Colombo

Introduction

The University of Colombo, which is one of the best South Asian universities has nine faculties with fifty six academic departments, a Campus, a School, seven Institutes and several centers and units. As the oldest university in Sri Lanka the University of Colombo with a proud history of over 115 years continues in its endeavor to meet the challenges of maintaining its position as the most prestigious University, modern and international in outlook and character. Its location affords the student population all the advantages of a metropolitan university, with easy access to international information/resource centers, libraries, theatres, sports complexes etc.

Buddhist Studies

Being an academic Centre, par excellence, with a long and prestigious record of reputation, University of Colombo can be considered a cynosure of Buddhist studies. The Department of Buddhist Studies is offering: Postgraduate Diploma, Master of Arts, Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies, with the aim of developing, broadening and enriching its outlook and context to suit the modern needs. This expansion of the scope of teaching made it necessary to make use of the services not only of the permanent academic staff, but also of the services of visiting lecturers as well as of retired academics, who are experts in Pali and Buddhist studies.

Masters in Buddhist Studies - 1 Year Programme

Semester I

- MABS 6102: History of Buddhist Thought
- MABS 6103: Theravada Tradition (History, Beliefs and Practices)
- MABS 6104: Studies in Buddhist Culture, Art and Architecture (optional)
- MABS 6105: Buddhist Approaches to Law, Justice, Gender and Rights (optional)
- MABS 6107: Buddhist Philosophy of Education

Semester II

- MABS 6201: Research Methodology
- MABS 6206: Buddhist Approaches to Environment, Economics and Politics
- MABS 6208: Buddhist Meditation, Psychology and Counseling
- MABS 6209: Seminar Paper I

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies - 2 Year Programme

After following all First Year courses students should complete following work during the Second Year.

- MABS 6301: Seminar Paper II
- MABS 6302: Dissertation (30,000 - 40,000 words)

Minimum Entry Qualifications

(i) Graduates with at least Second Class upper division in Buddhist Studies, Pali or related subject from a recognized University or an equivalent qualification;

or

(ii) Any other Bachelor's degree in a related area from a recognized University.

(iii) Any other academic qualifications equivalent to a Bachelor's degree determined by the Department of Buddhist Studies and approved by the Faculty Board and the Senate.

Graduates with postgraduate qualifications in Buddhist Studies under SLQF 9.

Local Students Fees (per year)	
Course Fee	Rs. 42,000.00
Registration Fee	Rs. 2,500.00
Library Fee	Rs. 1,500.00
Examination Fee	Rs. 2,500.00
Foreign Students Fees (per year)	
SARC and Developing Countries	USD 700
Developed Countries	USD 1,400
Registration Fee	USD 20
Library Fee	USD 10
Examination Fee	USD 20

Lectures will be online and examination will be onsite.

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