

**Course code :** ARCH 31462  
**Course title :** Modern History of Sri Lanka (from 16<sup>th</sup> CAD to 1948)  
**Type :** Core  
**Pre requisites :** None

**Learning Outcome:**

At the end of the course, students will obtain a thorough knowledge in modern history of Sri Lanka from 16<sup>th</sup> CAD to 1948.

**Content:**

Historical and archaeological sources for studying the history from 16 CAD - 1948. Decline of Kotte kingdom and rise of Portugese power. Administrative system of Portugese in Sri Lanka. Political, religious and economic policies of Portugese and impact on Sri Lanka society. Rise and fall of Sitavaka kingdom. Political history of Kandian an kingdom. Social, religious and economical status of Kandian period. Administrative systems of Dutch and British in Sri Lanka. Political, religious and economic policies during Dutch and British periods. Social religious and economical dynamics in 19<sup>th</sup> century. Constitutional amendments and independent struggle.

**Teaching and Learning Method:** Lectures, seminars. project work

**Scheme of Evaluation:** 80% for written examination and 20% for assigment

**Recommended Readings:**

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| 01. | අබයසිංහ,ටිකිරි        | (1966) | පරංගි කෝට්ටේ, ලේක් හවුස්<br>ඉන්වෙස්ට්මන්ට්ස්, කොළඹ.  |
| 02. | ඉලංගසිංහ, මංගල        | (1990) | රජය, ආගම හා අධ්‍යාපනය (බ්‍රිතාන්‍ය පාලන<br>සමය), විශ්වවිද්‍යාලීය මුද්‍රණාලය, මොරටුව.                               |
| 03. | පීරිස්, රුල්ෆ්        | (2005) | සිංහල සමාජ සංවිධානය: මහනුවර යුගය,<br>විසිදුනු ප්‍රකාශකයෝ, බොරැස්ගමුව.  |
| 04. | De Silva, K.M.        | (1973) | <i>History of Ceylon vol.3: From the Beginning of<br/>the 19<sup>th</sup> Century to 1948</i> , Colombo.           |
| 05. | De Silva, K.M.        | (1981) | <i>A History of Sri Lanka</i> , C.Hurst and co.<br>London  |
| 06. | Devaraja, L. S.       | (1972) | <i>The Kandyan Kingdom 1707-1760</i> , Lake<br>house investments, Colombo.   |
| 07. | Francis, M.G.         | (1999) | <i>History of Ceylon</i> , Asian education survey,<br>New Delhi.   |
| 08. | Perera, S.G.          | (1959) | <i>A History of Ceylon: the Portuguese and the<br/>Dutch period 1505-1796</i> , Associated<br>newspapers, Colombo. |
| 09. | Reddy, L.R.           | (2003) | <i>Sri Lanka: Past and Present</i> , APHP<br>Publishing, New Delhi.  |
| 10. | Senaviratna, Anuradha | (1983) | <i>Kandy</i> , Government press, Colombo.  |