

Type/Status : Core

Course Code : TCRM 21434

Title : History of Sri Lanka

Learning Outcome:

At the end of this course unit students will be able to demonstrate an essential knowledge of the history of Sri Lanka and its significance to the tourism industry.

Course Content:

A detailed study into the political, social and cultural history of Sri Lanka from the early historic period to the end of the Kandyan Kingdom, key trends in the political history of the ancient kingdoms, the beginnings and development of the hydraulic civilization, formation and development of social institutions, the impact of colonial powers to Sri Lankan society, economy, political organization etc.

Method of teaching and learning: Lectures, seminars, tutorials, assignments and field studies

Scheme of Assessment: End of Semester written examination, assignment, tutorials and presentations

Recommended Reading:

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