

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- PhD. In Advanced Macroeconomics at Saga University, Japan – (2015)
(Research Topic: An Empirical and Quantitative Analysis of Monetary and Fiscal Policy Interaction in a Developing Country: the case of Sri Lanka)
- MSc. In Economics at Saga University, Japan- (2012)
(Research Topic: The link between Financial Liberalization, Financial Development and Aggregate Output Growth: An Empirical Study with Reference to Sri Lanka)
- Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honors) in Economics at University of Peradeniya- (2005).
(Dissertation topic: The impact of Financial Liberalization on Sri Lankan Economy and the Environment in Sri Lanka)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Senior Lecturer (Gr. I), Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya – 2025 to date
- Senior Lecturer (Gr. II), Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya- 2019 to 2025
- Visiting Fellow, Saga University, Japan, 2015-2017
- Project intern, Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) – 2008 (June/August) – (2008) - Colombo
- Assistant Lecturer (Temporary), Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Peradeniya. (2006 -2008)

UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING & SUPERVISION

- First-year course (BA-Hons. undergraduates – Macroeconomics I)
- Second Year (BA – Hons. Undergraduates) – Computer Application for Economics, Monetary Economics
- Final Year (BA-Hons. Undergraduates) – Public Finance, Development Economics; Welfare Economics
- Undergraduate Supervision from 2019 to date (max.08 students per/year)

POSTGRADUATE TEACHING & SUPERVISION

Teaching – Monetary Economics, International Trade (2019 – 2022 & 2025)

PhD Supervision

- N.M.S. Damayanthi (Central Bank of Sri Lanka) – Topic: Financial Inclusion: Determinants, and Implications: Evidence from Sri Lanka (Final viva - 6th November 2025)

MPhil Supervision

- W.M.S.K. Werake (probationary Lecturer, University of Kelaniya) – Impact of Customer and Manager Perception on Financial Inclusion in Urban Low-income Families (Completed -2024)

MA/MSSc. Supervision

- DLCR Ajith Kumara
- SD Athukorala
- SGGK Kumari Samarakoon

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- IARP Excellent paper award for the conference paper “Macroeconomic Determinants of Income Inequality in Sri Lanka” - IARP International Conference, Depok, Indonesia, February 12, 2023.
- Vice Chancellors award for the highest amount of external research grant received for the AHEAD funded Project-2020
- Japanese Government Scholarship (MEXT) for PhD. in Economics, 2012
- Japanese Government Scholarship (MEXT) for MSc. in Economics, 2008
- Commonwealth Scholarship for Distance Learning in MSc. in Sustainable Development, Imperial College, London, 2007
- University Award for Academic Excellence, 2005 - University of Peradeniya

PROFESIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Life Member of Sri Lanka Economic Association – Sri Lanka
- Member of the Sri Lanka Forum of University Economists (SLFUE) – Sri Lanka
- Member of Japanese Economic Policy Association – Japan

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2023). Risk and Well-being of Migrant Workers. In Jayaweera, R. & M. M Gunatilake (Eds.) *Social Protection for Unskilled Migrant Workers in Sri Lanka*. Springer Nature, 2022.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2021). Public Debt, Population Aging and Fiscal Sustainability: The case of Sri Lanka. *Prof. Herath Madana Bandara Felicitation Volume, Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya*
- Dayaratna-Banda OG and PDCS Dharmadasa. (2020). “China’s Belt and Road Initiative: Opportunities and Challenges for Economic Growth in Sri Lanka” in *Lion-Dragon Dance: Practice and Reflection on the People-to-People Dialogues in China and Sri Lanka*, Zhejiang University Press.
- Dharmadasa Champika., Nakanishi, Makoto. (2017). Money Demand in Sri Lanka: a Co-integration Analysis. *Prof. Ratnayake Felicitation Volume*, Saga University Economic Association.
- Dayaratna Banda, O.G., Dharmadasa, P. D. C. S. (2008). Pro Poor Growth. *Prof. Thilakarathne Memorial Volume*, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka.

REFEREED JOURNAL PAPERS

- Passaperuma U.P.A.P. A. and Dharmadasa P.D.C.S. (2025). The Role of Financial and Digital Literacy in Fintech Adoption: An Empirical Study. *Sri Lanka Economic Journal*, 22(2): 49-68.
- N.M.M. Damayanthi, W.M. Semasinghe, and P.D.C.S. Dharmadasa (2025). Digital Finance and Financial Inclusion: A Thematic Analysis with reference to Sri Lanka. *Sri Lanka Economic Journal*, 22(1): 37-57.

- K.A.T.T. Kaluarachchi & Dharmadasa P.D.C.S. (2024). Macroeconomic Implications of Income Tax Rise in Sri Lanka. *Sri Lanka Journal of Economics* 21(2):134-147.
- Werake, W.M.S.K. & Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2024). The link between Customer Perception and Financial Inclusion in Low-income households in Sri Lanka. *Millennial Asia* 0(0). Sage Publications.
- Werake, W.M.S.K. & Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2024). Managers' Perception on Financial Inclusion in Urban Low-income Families in Sri Lanka. *Sri Lanka Journal of Economics, Vol 21(1)*: 56-72.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2024). Monetary Policy Effectiveness in Curbing Food Inflation in Sri Lanka. *Sri Lanka Economic Journal*, 20(2): 17-32.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. & Dayaratna-Banda, O.G. (2024). Sri Lanka's Experience in Economic Policy Management in a Market-Oriented Economy. *Sri Lanka Economic Journal*, 20(1): 30-60.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S., Gunatilake, M.M. (2023). Determinants of Household Credit Behaviour of Low-income Households in Sri Lanka. *Asian Economics & Financial Review*, 13(10), 715-726
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2023). Macroeconomic Determinants of Income Inequality in Sri Lanka. *Sri Lanka Statistical Review*, 1(2):1-22.
- O.G. Dayaratna-Banda & Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2022). An Economics Analysis of Employability and Unemployment of Social Sciences and Humanities Graduates Graduates in Sri Lanka. *Journal of South Asian Survey*, 29(2):155-180.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2021). Short and Long run determinants of Banking Sector Credit Growth in Sri Lanka. *South Asian Journal of Finance*, 1(1): 1-15
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2021). "Fintech Services" and the Future of Financial Intermediation: A Review. *Sri Lanka Journal of Economic Research*, 8(2): 23-42.
- Dharmadasa, Champika, (2014). Econometric Analysis of the Impact of Money Supply on the Sri Lankan Economy. *Saga University Economic Review*, 47(3):99-138.
- Dharmadasa, Champika, (2013). Monetary Policy Influence and the Uncovered Interest Rate Parity: the case of Sri Lanka. *Saga University Economic Review*, 46(4): 23-44.
- Dharmadasa, P. D. C. S. (2008). Plantation Sector welfare and the Budget 2008. *People's Bank Economic Review*, 33 (10-12): 20-21.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2023). The impact of Uncertainty on Cryptocurrency Prices. Conference Proceedings, 22nd JEPA conference, Japanese Economic Policy Association, 18-19 of November 2023, Osaka, Japan
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2023). Determinants of Household Credit Behaviour of Low-Income Households in Sri Lanka. *Conference proceeding*, 11th Sri Lankan Economic Research Conference, Association of Sri Lankan University Economists, Southeastern University, Sri Lanka.
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2023). Macroeconomic Determinants of Income Inequality in Sri Lanka. *Conference proceeding*, IIARP International Conference on Economics, Business, Tourism & Social Sciences (ICEBTS-2023), 12th February 2023, Depok, Indonesia (virtual).
- Dharmadasa, P.D.C.S. (2022). Food Inflation and Monetary Policy: The case of Sri Lanka. *Conference Proceeding*, International Conference of Japanese Economic Policy Association, 21st November 2022, Kobe, Japan (Virtual)
- Dayaratna-Banda, O.G. and Dharmadasa P.D.C.S. (2021). An Economics Analysis of Employability and Unemployment of Social Sciences and Humanities Graduates in Sri Lanka. *Conference Proceeding*, conference on the celebration of Centenary years of Humanities and Social Sciences Education in Sri Lanka, December 20, 2021. University Grant Commission, Sri Lanka.
- Dharmadasa, Champika (2014). Effectiveness and the Transmission Mechanism of Monetary Policy: the case of Sri Lanka. *Conference Proceeding*, 13th International Conference of the Japan Economic Policy Association (JEPA 2014), November 8 -9, (Meiji University – Tokyo, Japan)
- Dharmadasa, Champika (2013). Exchange Rate and Interest Rate Linkage: the Validity of Uncovered Interest Parity (UIP) in Sri Lanka. *Conference Proceeding*, Finance and Economic Conference of Lupcon Center for Business Research, July 4- 6, 2013, Frankfurt am Main (Germany).
- Dharmadasa, Champika., Nakanishi, M. (2013). Demand for Money in Sri Lanka: ARDL Approach to Co-integration. *Conference Proceeding*, 3rd International Conference on Humanities, Geography and Economics (ICHGE'2013) January 4-5, 2013, Bali (Indonesia): pp.143-147.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- Participated in the survey titled; ‘Impact of Customer and Manager Perception on Financial Inclusion in Urban Low-income Families: An Analysis concerning Colombo District, Sri Lanka.
- Team member of the research titled; ‘The Impact of Social Protection on Sustainable Development Goals in Sri Lanka: An Empirical Analysis’ - DOR HEMS projects of AHEAD operation, 2020-2023.
- Team member of the Survey of School Dropouts in Rural and Sub-Urban Areas in Sri Lanka - 2008 (Supervision: Dr. Neesha Arunathilaka- Institute of Policy Studies)
- Team member of the Survey of Evaluation Study of Rural Finance Services -2005-2006 (supervision: Dr. Palitha Pathberiya- Dept. of Economics, University of Peradeniya)

COMPUTER LITERACY & IT PROFICIENCY

- Conversant in MS Office Packages, STATA, SPSS, & EIEWS Statistical Packages, NVIVO software
- Computer Instructor Training Programme (500 hours) -2000 – Technical Educational Institute, Colombo
- Diploma in Computer Programming – Technical Educational Institute

REVIEWER OF JOURNAL

- Sri Lanka Journal of Economics – 2024 – Sri Lanka Economic Association
- Sri Lanka Journal of Economics -2023 – Sri Lanka Economic Association
- Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities – 2021 – Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Ruhuna.
- ATIKAS – 2022 – Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technological Institute, Kegalle.

REVIEWER/ CHAIRING OF CONFERENCES

- 22nd International Postgraduate Research Conference (iprc) – 2022 - Faculty of Postgraduate Studies, University of Kelaniya
- 21st International Postgraduate Research Conference (iprc) – 2021 – Faculty of Postgraduate Studies, University of Kelaniya
- 1st National Undergraduate Research Conference on Social Sciences (NUCSS) – 2021 – Department of Philosophy, University of Kelaniya
- 10th International Conference on Business and Information – 2019 – Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies, University of Kelaniya.
- 1st International Conference on Applied Social Statistics – 2019 – Department of Social Statistics, University of Kelaniya.

CONTRIBUTION TO INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Coordinator, Faculty Quality Assurance Unit, University of Kelaniya – 2022.06 to the present
- Subject Coordinator, Multidisciplinary Studies related to Health, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Kelaniya – 2021 to date
- Department Web-master – 2019- 2022 – Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya
- Member of the Internal SER writing team (2021) – University of Kelaniya
- Member of the External SER writing team (2020, 2022)– (CDCE, University of Kelaniya)
- Member of the curriculum revision team (2020-2023)– Undergraduate/Postgraduate, Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya
- Member of the curriculum revision team (2023) – External Degree (CDCE- University of Kelaniya)
- Co-secretary of ASAHIL International Research Symposium – 2019, University of Kelaniya
- Academic Warden – Viharamahadevi Girl's Hostel, University of Kelaniya - from 2021 to date
- Department Webmaster, Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya- 2019 to 2022
- Student Counselor, University of Kelaniya - 2019 to 2022
- Academic Warden – Ediriweera Sarachchandra Girls' Hostel, University of Kelaniya -2020-2021
- Part-Time Academic Sub warden, Sangamitta Girls' Hall- University of Peradeniya – 2007

CONTRIBUTION TO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Assistant Examiner – Sri Lanka Accountant Service Gr. III open competitive examination 2021(2024) – Department of Examination
- Chief Examiner – Advanced Level (A/L) Paper Marking (2023) – Department of Examination, Sri Lanka.
- Session Convener of the conference on Centenary years of Humanities and Social Sciences Education in Sri Lanka – Organized by the University Grant Commission (UGC), Sri Lanka
- Resource Person at the Seminar for School teachers in Economics (2022) - Organized by the Ministry of Education and the UGC.
- Resource Person at the webinar for A/L students (2022) - Organized by the Department of Finance, Faculty of Commerce, University of Kelaniya.
- Consultant Economist to prepare the livelihood development plan for the resettlement programme of Thalpitigala Reservoir Project – 2021 - Mahaweli Consultancy Bureau (Pvt.) Ltd.