

# **Bachelor of Arts Honours in Development Studies**

# **Revised Curriculum**

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# **DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**

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Development Studies is a subdivision of Social Sciences which examines issues associated to Developing countries, in particular concerning social—economic, cultural and political development. Development Studies involves the study of economy, sociology, anthropology, Geography, environment and international development and other related social sciences disciplinarians.

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#### 01. DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

The Department of Geography is one of the leading Departments in the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Kelaniya. Initially it was established in 1959 as the Vidyalankara University, and subsequently it was renamed as University of Kelaniya in 1978. The Department of Geography has also being a pioneering department of the University of Kelaniya.

At present, the Department offers Diploma programs, Degree programs and Postgraduate Degree programs. Diploma in Disaster Management and Diploma in Geographical Information System are popular among the students who have passed GCE Advanced Level examination. Two major streams of undergraduate Degree programs i.e. Geography and Development Studies are offered by the Department. Both programs have Honors (4 year) and General Degree (3 year) programs which are popular among undergraduates. The Department has been offering Postgraduate programs i.e. M.A. and MSSc since 1990. In additions, several scholars have followed MPhils and PhDs at the Department.

The Department has physical resources i.e. Geographical Information System (GIS) laboratory and a Cartographical unit and human resources i.e. 12 full time lectures including a Senior Professor and two Doctors. Several other staff members are reading for PhDs.

#### 02. VISION OF THE DEPARTMENT

"To be the leading Department of Geography in Sri Lanka, and to anticipate the empowerment of students with knowledge, attitudes, skills and maintain standards for understanding, applying, analyzing and evaluating real world issues and navigate society to achieve their wellbeing".

## 03. MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT

The mission of the Department of Geography at the University of Kelaniya is to motivate and promote excellence in geographical learning:

- To provide students with an overview of the discipline, specific skills that will help them in their future career
- To provide students with better learning environment that foster knowledge, understanding, applying, analyzing and evaluating skills and experiences that prepare them for life in changing environment
- To organize and maintain an effective philosophy of life that reflects an understanding of their natural and cultural surroundings
- o To conduct research, publish of findings and disseminate knowledge.

#### 04. NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Nohria and Beer stated that "Most traditional organizations have accepted, in theory at least, that they must either change or die". However, higher educational institutions such as the University of Kelaniya "are recognizing the need to change in order to provide an affordable, high quality product to a broader population" (Zvacek et al, 2016). The Department of Geography is in compliance with the principle of the University, revising their degree programs.

The Department of Geography has been offering study programs for 60 years period. At present, about 500 undergraduates are studying under these study programs at the Department. Comprehensive curriculum development has not being done from 2014. Bachelor of Arts (Hons) program was revised with the support of the Improvement of Relevance Quality of University Education (IRQUE) project of the World Bank in 2009 and the Bachelor of Arts Degree program was also revised in 2014 under the Quality and Innovative Grant (QIG) of the Window 1 & 2 of the Higher Education for the Twenty first Century (HETC) of the World Bank. Considering the ongoing world trends, national needs and requirements of our clients with employing our graduates it is envisaged, a vital requirement to revise curricular to be effective from academic year 2014.

#### 05. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Major objective of the curriculum revision is the 'Increase of Employability of Development studies Graduates of the Department of Geography' by developing a 'Skill-Oriented Activity-Based Curriculum' by adopting the K-SAM model (MoHE, SLQF). Further, this curriculum revision is based on our past, good work in providing quality teaching and learning (See: Dharmasiri, 2015). It aims to develop the skills of the undergraduates who have already acquired knowledge through lectures and encourage them to apply those concepts to strengthen the learning process. In a skill-based classroom, teacher focus on teaching and instructing education through planning and practice. Skill-based learning provides classroom environments where independence, thinking skills, collaboration and active learning are developed at the same time as knowledge is acquired (Mike Fleetham, 2018). Nevertheless, in order to address the issue in a more holistic and vigorous way the alignment with intended learning outcomes based on SOABC is indispensable. In addition, following sub objectives will be addressed.

- 1. To strengthen the outcome-based education at the Department of Geography
- 2. To further improve the students centered education
- 3. To familiarize blended learning education as a compulsory component in study program
- 4. To adjust the program components to fit the new credit system (MoHE, SLQF Framework),
- 5. To further adopt an outcome-oriented model to curriculum design
- 6. To further allow the graduates to develop self-confidence and commanding personalities

Present curriculum revision was prepared with consideration of the above criteria to achieve the vison and mission as well as goals of the Department.

#### 06. METHODOLOGY

Three types of analysis i.e. Situation Analysis, SWOT analysis and Gap Analysis were carried out prior to the curriculum revision of the Bachelor of Arts (Hons) degree programs of the Department of Geography. It was consulted by several Stakeholders from the public and the

private sector to understand their perspectives on our graduates. In addition, more than hundreds of graduates who have already completed their degrees in Geography and Development studies from the Department of Geography, University of Kelaniya, expressed their views and suggestions through an online survey carried out by the Department to further develop the available degree program effectively and successfully focusing the increasing employability. Available bench marks of Geographical studies have been considered for the Gap analysis. Several gaps have been identified through the three analyses. In addition, the graduates who have successfully completed the study program and earned their Honors degrees in Geography and Development studies, face several issues when they find employment opportunities.

#### 07. DESIRED GRADUATE PROFILE

In accordance with the vision and mission of the University of Kelaniya (UoK) and the Faculty of Social Sciences (FSS) as well as the Department of Geography, the desired graduate profile was formed creating opportunities to enhance knowledge and equip the students to aspire for higher professional achievements and be global citizens.

The Need Assessment (Situation, SWOT and Gap Analysis) have been applied to set desired graduate profile. These analyses provided detailed information on the shortcomings of the existing degree program. In order to address the shortcomings that have been identified under the need analysis, it was planned and formulated ideal opportunities that can be used within the curricular of Geography. The desired profile (Figure 1) is aligning with the vision and mission of the Department as well as the University of Kelaniya.

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Figure 1: The Desired Graduate Profile

According to the desired profile, the graduate would be able to acquire new knowledge and apply the gained knowledge in the field of Geography and Development studies. To achieve this goal, student centered learning provides a novel approach particularly through interactive learning. Skill development helps undergraduates to use knowledge and practice according to the principles of study.

Employability is considered as a set of skills needed to complete a task. Employability skills are skills that are basic and generic in nature, but very valuable in assisting every person entering the workforce. Some people refer to employability skills as "core skills," "key skills," transferable skills," "general skills," "non-technical skills," and/or "soft skills" (Hofstrand, 1996). The undergraduates must acquire a variety of skills as referred to by *NCIHE*,(1997), as 'key skills'. 'core skills', 'generic skills', 'personal skills' and 'employability skills 'while CVCP (1998) tip-off skills as 'capabilities' and 'personal competencies' are also used, along with 'capabilities' and 'personal competencies' (Len Holmes, 2001).

The communication skills including English knowledge may assimilate our graduates with the global community, leading them to be scholastic and intellectual persons. The competence in applying knowledge and skills, to solve issues in day to day life, and to meet the challenges of the time is the prime necessity of employable graduates, today. Changing the values and attitudes of the graduates would enable the promotion of human well-being. In particular, that would lead to establish an ethnic cohesion in the multi-ethnic community of the country.

When undergraduates can identify the values and norms of all aspects of life, they would become self-motivated. The desired graduate should have competence in producing outstanding research outcomes. It would help create sustainable peace and sustainable development of the country.

Considering the facts, the following course units were formulated to achieve the goals of the graduate profile.

#### 08. PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

After successful completion the Bachelor of Arts Honors in Development Studies degree offered by the Department of Geography, student will be able to achieve following Programs Learning Outcomes (PLOs);

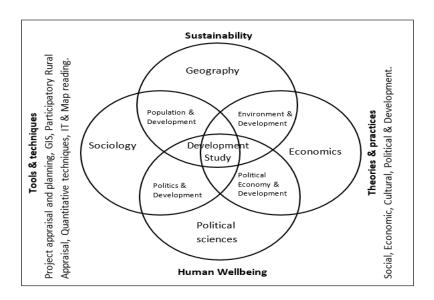
- Demonstrate ability to interpreting and understand the concept and application of key theoretical approaches to development,
- Attributing ability to critically evaluate, propositions and concepts in development studies,
- Explain and distinguish differences among the various methodologies used in research and analysis of Development studies,
- Acquire, analyze, evaluate, and interpret data, in particular by using Geographical Information System,
- Identify and assess how concepts of Development studies apply in the workplace and in everyday life to solve real-world problems.

## • 09. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

Sinhala/ English

#### 10. CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Figure 02 **Nature and Scope of Development Studies** 



## 11. CREDIT DISTRIBUTION

Bachelor of Arts (Honors) in Development studies is a four-year degree program which consists of eight (08) semesters. To be eligible for the degree a student should obtain not less than hundred and twenty (120) credits including thirty (30) credits in first year and ninety (90) credits in year 2, 3 and 4. The credit structure is given below.

Table 01 **Credit Distribution** 

Year/	Semester	Type of course units			Total cr	edits	
Level		Core	Optional*	Auxiliary	Total	Semester	Year Total
						total	
1	I	15	-	ı	15	15	30
	II	15	-	-	15	15	
2	I	09	09	02	20	15	30
	II	15	-	02	17	15	
3	I	13	04	-	17	15	30
	II	15	-	02	17	15	
4	I	12	06	02	20	15	30
	II	15	-	-	15	15	
Total cr	edits	109	19	08	136	120	120

<sup>\*</sup> Students should select one/two course unit out of the given course units. Then the selected optional course units considered as core course units.

## 12. COURSE OUTLINE

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DVST 32443	Culture and Development	C	3	Geography
DVST 32453/				No change to the
GEOG 32453	Institutional Training/ Internship	C	3	existence content
DVST 32462 /				
GEOG 32462	Critical Thinking	A	2	Newly introduced
	LEVEL 4 – S	EMESTE	R 1	
DVST 41413/				Moderate revision to the
GEOG 41413	Land Use planning	C	3	existence content
				Modified with
	Development Policy and Practice			Development Experiences
DVST 41423	of Sri Lanka	С	3	of Sri Lanka
	Political Economy and	С	3	Minor revision to the
DVST 41433	Development			existence content
				Minor revision to the
DVST 41443	Poverty Analysis	С	3	existence content
DVST 41453/	Rural Development <sup>#</sup>	C/O	3	Minor revision to the
GEOG 41453				existence content
	Urban Planning for Development	C/O		Modified with Regional
DVST 41463/	##		3	Planning and
GEOG 41463				Development
DVST 41472/				
GEOG 41472	Academic Writing	A	2	Newly introduced
	LEVEL 4 – S	EMESTE	R 2	
DVST 42412/	Sustainable Development			
GEOG 42412		С	3	Newly introduced
	Development Thoughts	C	3	Modified with
DVST 42423				Development Thought
DVST 42432	Development Administration	C	2	Newly introduced
DVST 43448/	Dissertation	С	8	No change to the existence
GEOG 43448				content

#### Note:

<sup>\*</sup> Students should select 02 (two) course units either from ^/^^ or ^^^ out of the given course units at level 1, 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Students should select one course unit either from \*/\*+ or \*/## out of the given course units at each level.

#### 13. COURSE CONTENTS

#### LEVEL 2 - SEMESTER 1

Semester	1st Semester				
Course Code	DVST 21413 /ECON 21	DVST 21413 /ECON 21413			
Course Name	Introduction to Economics				
Credit Value	03				
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Explain the scope and methodology of economics
- Discuss the basic economic problems and the alternative ways of solving these problems
- Recognize the demand, supply, elasticity and market equilibrium
- Examine the impact of government intervention into the market mechanism

#### **Course content**

- Scope and methodology of economics
- Scarcity, choice, opportunity cost and the basic economic problems
- Alternative economic systems
- Production possibility curve and its uses
- Demand, supply, elasticity and market equilibrium
- Government intervention into the market mechanism
- Factor price determination

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Class discussions, Class assignments and Blended learning.

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment Test, Individual/ group presentations and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		essment
(40%)	(60%)		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 10%, Mid-term test 10%, Class assignment presentation 15% & Class	60	-	-
attendance 05%.			

#### **Recommended Reading:**

O'Sullivan, A., Sheffrin, S., & Perez, S. (2017). Microeconomics: Principles, Applications, and Tools, 9th Edition.

Perloff, J. (2017). Microeconomics: Theory and Applications with Calculus.

Pranab Bardhan and Pranab K. Bardhan, (ed)., (2000), Readings in Development Microeconomics, Volume 1, Cambridge, London.

Semester:	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code:	DVST 21423				
Course Name:	Development Issues in Contemporary Asia				
Credit Value:	03				
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105		

At the completion of this course unit the student will be able to;

- Illustrate the unity and diversity of Asia,
- Discuss geographical, cultural and political identity of Asia
- Distinguish development disparity within Asian region
- Explain the development level and development issues,
- Recognize the role of newly industrial countries on development of Asia,
- Identify regional cooperation in Asia.

#### **Course Content:**

- Introduction: Asia as a Geographical unit, Regional identity and Unity and diversity of Asia
- Brief history of contemporary Asia,
- Colonialism in Asia,
- Culture and traditions in Asia,
- Brief discussion on political leadership in selected countries Asia; Japan, China, Malaysia, Singapore & India,
- Outline the history of economic development in selected countries in Asia
- Development issues in Asia; Economic, Social and Cultural issues,
- Competing economics in Asia; Newly industries economics,
- Growing significance in World politics and the regional economy; Silk road,
- Regional cooperation; SAARC and ASEAN.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Class room discussions and Blended learning.

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment Test (CAT), Individual/ Group Assignment and presentation, End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%		60%	)
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 15%, Essay and presentation 20% &			
Class attendance 05%	60	-	-

## **Recommended Reading:**

Berrill, K.(ed)(1994), Economic Development with Special Reference to East Asia, Palgrave Macmillan UK

Devarajan, S., and I. Nabi (2006). Economic growth in South Asia: promising, un-equalizing, ... sustainable? South Asia Region Working Paper. Washington, D.C.: World Bank. Available from <a href="http://siteresources.worldbank.org/SOUTHASIAEXT/Resources/South Asia growth June 2006.pdf">http://siteresources.worldbank.org/SOUTHASIAEXT/Resources/South Asia growth June 2006.pdf</a> World Bank (2012). World Development Indicators. Available from <a href="http://data.worldbank.org/datacatalog/world-development-indicators">http://data.worldbank.org/datacatalog/world-development-indicators</a>.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 21433				
Course Name	Population & Development				
Credit Value	03				
Type	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105		

At the completion of this course unit the student will be able to –

- Discuss the dynamic and key component of Population and Development,
- Explain the demographic processes and its determinants affecting these demographic patterns with relate to regional interpretation,
- Examine the population related issues in spatial content,
- Distinguish suitable population policies which provide social and economic, demographical issues.
- Construct the connection between population, environment and development.

#### **Course Content:**

- Introduction to population and development (Population concept, Definitions, Geographic scope and Evolution of the subject)
- Components and elements of population concept
- Population dynamics and characteristics; Fertility, Mortality, Migration
- Basic theories and Debates (Malthusian, The Optimum Theory of Population, Marxian perspectives, Cornucopian, Bucharest and Paul Ehrlich)
- Spatial and temporal patterns of Demographic process.
- Population problems in spatial context: Sri Lanka as well as other regions of the world
- Population policies: Types of population policies. Natal and anti-national population policies
- Population Vs development and environment (Case Study)

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, Blended learning. Demonstration and hands – on activities.

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance/ Continuous Assessment, Group work assignment and presentation, Assignment End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Mid term test 10%, Group work and presentation 15%, Assignment 10%, Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Bailey, Adrian, (2005), Making Population Geography (Human Geography in the Making)

Bhende A. and Kanitkar T.,(2000), Principles of Population Studies, Himalaya Publishing House. Holly R. Barcus.H.R and Halfacree.K, (2017), An Introduction to Population Geographies Lives Across Space. Published August 31, 2017 by Routledge. ISBN 9780415569958. Newbold K. B., (2009), Population Geography: Tools and Issues, Rowman and Littlefield Publishers. Peters, Gary L. and Robert P. Larkin, (2008), Population Geography: Problems, Concepts, and Prospects.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 21443				
Course Name	Fundamentals of Cartography^				
Credit Value	03				
Type	Compulsory/ Optional				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	35	30	85		

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Explain the nature, principles and theories of cartography,
- Review the evolutionary process of topographic maps of Sri Lanka
- Demonstrate cartographic skills in map making and interpretation process of maps,
- Identify different types of coordinate systems
- Apply cartographic techniques as needed.

#### **Course content**

- Scope of the "Fundamental of Cartography"
- History of Cartography
- Map elements with special reference to scales (Different linear scales, Enlargement & reduction and Area calculation)
- Coordinate systems; Latitudes and longitudes, National grid systems (XY Coordinates)
- Contours and common features of map
- Profiles; Projected Profile, Composite Profile, Super Imposed Profile
- Topographic maps, Thematic maps; Identify, drawing and Interpretation
- Representation of socio-economic data using cartographic techniques
- Interpretation of Aerial Photograph

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Practical, Computer based skills on graphical representation, Blended learning and Group work

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment, Practical book, and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details:	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%) (specify)
Mid-term test 10%, Practical book 25%	60	-	-
& Class attendance 05%.			

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Anson, R. W., (1984), Basic Cartography for Students and Technicians, Volume 1 and Volume 2, International Cartographic Association.

Mark Harrower, Anthony C. Robinson, Robert E. Roth and Ben Sheesely., (2011), Cartography, Free online E-Textbook, Available on; <a href="https://www.researchgate.net/publication/280599704\_Free\_E-Textbook\_Cartography\_20">https://www.researchgate.net/publication/280599704\_Free\_E-Textbook\_Cartography\_20</a>

Monkhouse, F. J. & Wilkinson H. R., (1994), Map & Diagram, Methuen, London.

Survey Department. (2007), National Atlas of Sri Lanka, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Vitarana, M. Kanthi., (2007), Cartography, Sarasavi Publishers.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 21453/ SOCI 214	173			
Course Name	Sociological Perspective	Sociological Perspectives of Development ^^			
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory/ Optional				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	45	-	105		

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Identify the basic concepts of sociology.
- Describe the society through sociological perspectives
- Identify the main social phenomena.
- Recognize dynamics of social institutions and their functions through sociological perspectives.

#### **Course Content:**

- Scope of Sociological Perspectives of Development Studies
- Concept of Society and its impact on development process
  - What is Society? Social Structure and Social Organization.
  - Status and role: Role conflict and conflict management.
  - · Social groups and their functioning.
- Impacts of Socialization on Development
  - Define the concept of Socialization, Culture and Society and Socialization intervention
  - · Relationship between development and culture and society
  - Socialization intervention; primary and secondary agencies.
- Meaning of Social Institutions and relationships between Social Institutions with Development process
- Impacts of Social Stratification on development process
  - Factors that regulate social stratification.
  - Theoretical identification of social stratification.
  - Major factors in identifying class and caste as social stratification factor-
- Importance of social Bureaucracy for socio-economic development
  - Identify the need for a bureaucratic system.
  - The characteristics of an ideal bureaucracy introduced by Max Weber.
  - Criticisms against the modern bureaucracy.
- Impacts of Social control strategies on development of a country
  - The need for social control.
  - Formal and informal social control strategies.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Discussions and Blended learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance and Group/ Individual project report and End semester examination. .

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details; Quiz 10%, Group/ Individual Project report	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
and presentation 25% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

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බ්ලවු, පී.එම්. (පරි.). (2009). නවීන සමාජය සහ නිලබල කුමය. කොළඹ: අධාාපන පුකාශන දෙපාර්තමේන්තුව IverMac R.M., Page Charls M, : (1950). Society (an Introductory Analysis), 2/10, New Delhi: Rajiv Beri for Macmillan India Ltd.

Rao, Shankar C.N. (2002). Sociology: Primary Principals. New Delhi: C. Chand Company. Jain Roshni. (2017). Sociology; An Introduction to Sociology. New Delhi: AITBS Publishers.

Semester	1st Semester				
Course Code	DVST 21463/ ECON 214	DVST 21463/ ECON 21463			
Course Name	Development Theory^^	٨			
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	35	30	85		

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Explain conventional and modern theories of development
- Recognize contemporary progresses and regresses of theoretical applications in development
- Examine nature the nature of development theories in practice

#### **Course content**

- Introduction to Development Economics
- Role of economic development in "development" and poverty reduction.
- Development economics in international development studies
- The evolution of economic development thoughts
- The stylized facts in economic development
- Determinants of growth (factors that define steady state)
- Development and equity development with aging-population
- Measurement and determinants of multifaceted poverty: absolute vs relative, objective vs subjective poverty
- Sustainable development (the environment and development)
- Education and development
- Social capital for development

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Blended learning and group works, Independ learning and Field visits

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Attendance to lectures, Continue Assessment Test, Fieldwork, Group work, Presentations and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment			
40%	60%			
Details;	Theory	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
Tutorial 10%, Group/Individual assignment with	(%)			
presentations 25% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-	

Hamanoiel, A. A., Freedman, D., Khiabany, G., and others, (2017), Liberalism in Neoliberal Times: Dimensions, Contradictions, Limits, Goldsmiths Press, Cambridge

Dwight H.Perkins, Steven Radelet and David L. Lindauer (2013), Economics of Development

Michael P. Todaro and Stephen C. Smith (2011), Economic development, 11th edition

Peet, R. and Hartwick, E. (2015). Theories of Development, Third Edition; Contentions, Arguments, Alternatives, The Guilford Press, New York

Salkind, J. N., (2013). An Introduction to Theories of Human Development, SAGE Publications, Inc. London

Sen, A. (1999). Development as Freedom, First Anchor Book, New York.

Willis, C. (2011). Theories and practices of development, Second Ed., Routledge, New York.

Level	Level II / 1	Level II / 1st Semester				
Course Code	DVST 2147	72/ DELT 21572				
Course Name	English for	the World				
Credit Value	2					
Type	Auxiliary					
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning			
Hourly Breakdown	30hrs	15hrs (Activities related to	55hrs (Reading, listening &			
	(2 lecture	(2 lecture   language skills development   viewing, peer collaborative				
	hours X 15					
	weeks)	1 hour X 15 weeks)	X 15 weeks)			

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

At the completion of this course unit, student will be able to:

- ILO 1: compare and contrast (idiomatic and spelling) differences between American English and English in Britain
- ILO 2: describe and practice phonological, morphological, and syntactic features of Sri Lankan English
- ILO 3: discuss global issues and their impact on Sri Lanka
- ILO 4: identify academic writing style and edit
- ILO 5: debate/Discuss contemporary issues
- ILO 6: use 'politically correct' language
- ILO 7: comment on data and use related language appropriately

## **Course Content**

## **World Englishes**

- Discuss different views about different Englishes
- Identify spelling differences between American and British English
- Use idioms and expressions in meaningful sentences
- Listen to song about different views on English/ Watch video Sri Lankan English
- Read texts on features of Sri Lankan English
- Make notes on standard and non-standard variety
- Paragraph writing with topic sentences
- Appreciate and analyze short story in Sri Lankan English
- Write an appreciation of literature and character discussion 20%

#### **Current Issues**

- Discuss contemporary social issues
- Use reported speech in talking about current issues

- Express critical views on current issues
- News report on an incident (report using a poster/PowerPoint individual) 20%

#### **Inclusive Language**

- Discuss the need for inclusivity in society based on Video clip
- Discuss issues related to using politically correct terminology

Identify and use politically correct language in all types of sentences - Listening activity 10%

#### **Data Commentary**

- Identify vocabulary related to graph descriptions
- Use tenses related to graph
- Identify the format of data commentary Academic Writing Style
- Identify the use of nouns and verbs in academic language
- Practice nominalization
- Practice editing

## **Teaching/Learning Methods:**

Task-based language learning; presentations, discussions, role play, student presentations

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Poster presentation, Listening, Essay, Individual news report, End of Semester Exam

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
50%	50%		50%
Details:	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Literary appreciation 10%, Character			
description 10% Individual news report			
20% Listening 10%			

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Gunesekera, M. (2005). The Post-colonial identity of Sri Lankan English. Colombo: Katha Publishers. Heyer, S. (1996). True stories in the news: A beginning reader (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). UK: Pearson Publishers. Long, W. J. (2015). English literature: Its history and its significance for the life of the English speaking word. UK: Rupa Publisher.

Swales, J. M., & Feak, C. B. (2004). Academic writing for graduate students: Essential tasks and skills (Vol. 1). Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Thomson, A. J., & Martinet, A. V. (2010). A practical English grammar. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## LEVEL 2 – SEMESTER 2

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 22413			
Course Name	Natural Resources and D	evelopment		
Credit Value	03			
Type	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning	
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105	

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Review multiple aspects of Natural Resource (NR)
- Discuss potential, issues and management NR within the context of sustainable development
- Practice theories and methods to manage natural resource
- Examine ethical aspects of decisions taken to conserve and manage natural resource

- Course content
- Introduction and scope: Natural Resources and Development"
- Concepts and principles related to economic, environmental, social, cultural and ethical perspectives of resource and resource management
- Classification of resources
- Global and National level issues related to Natural Resources: Over utilization and under utilization of natural resources- water, fossil fuels, rocks, minerals, soil and other earth resources
- Global and National level issues related to economic, social, environmental, political and cultural development
- Economic, social and environmental aspects in natural resources management
- Global and national level policies and practices related to Natural Resources and Development

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, discussions, Blended learning and Group work

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Group work, Assignment and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 15%, Group work and presentation	60	-	-
20% & Class attendance 05%.			

## **Recommended Reading:**

Brundtland 1987. Brundtland Report – Our Common Future. 1987. UN World Commission on Environment and Development. Available at: <a href="http://www.un-documents.net/wced-ocf.htm">http://www.un-documents.net/wced-ocf.htm</a>

Baumol, W. J and Oates, W. E. 1988, The Theory of Environmental Policy, second edn, Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, N. J.

Miller, Tyler G. (1998) Living in the environment. 10th ed. Bellmont, California: Wadsworth Publishing Company.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	<b>DVST 22423/ GEOG 22</b>	DVST 22423/ GEOG 22423			
Course Name	Agrarian Transformation	Agrarian Transformation			
Credit Value	03	03			
Type	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly	35	30	85		
Breakdown					

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Demonstrate the concept, evolution and development of Agriculture,
- Recognize the role of agricultural determinants towards the changing agricultural systems,
- Evaluate the Green Revolution, its impacts and aftermath
- Differentiate the modern agriculture,
- Identify and analyses different agricultural practices in Sri Lanka.

#### **Course Content:**

- Agricultural evolution: Plant and animal domestication (cultigens)
- World agricultural systems and classifications
- Models and theories in agrarian studies (Von Thunen's Models and Jonasson's Model)

- Changing agricultural systems (Subsistence to Modern)
- Peasant Colonization of Sri Lanka,
- Land tenure and land reforms,
- Dimensions of Agricultural Development: Productivity, Diversification and Commercialization
- Role of food and agricultural sector development of Sri Lanka; Employments, Food security and GDP contribution
- Fragmentation of land holdings and Land grabbing
- Dimensions of Green revolution and aftermath; Smart agriculture
- Changes in government agricultural policies
- Sustainable agriculture: Green economy, Agri-business and Contact farming.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Class discussions/ Guest talk, Field exercise based on a case study and individual/ group work.

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Field based individual/ Group activities and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment			
40%	60%			
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
Quiz 10%, Participation of field			-	
work and Group work/	60	-		
Assignment 25% & Class				
attendance 05%				

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Balasubramanian, A., Outline of Agricultural Geography, Available on the web:

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/309784057\_Outline\_of\_Agricultural\_Geography

Chorley Richard J. (1970), Models, paradigms and new geography in Socio-economic Models in Geography, Peter, London, Methuen & Co. Ltd.

Hagget. P., (1965), Location Analysis in Human Geography, London Edward Arnold (publisher) Ltd. Majid Hssain, (2002), Systematic Agricultural Geography, Rawat Publication, Jaipur & New Delhi. Peiris, G.H., (1996), Development and Change in Sri Lanka: Geographical Perspectives, Macmillan India Ltd, New Delhi

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 22433	DVST 22433			
Course Name	Statistics for Developmen	t Studies			
Credit Value	03				
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory Practical Independent Learning				
Hourly Breakdown	35	30	85		

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Explain basic statistical concepts,
- Select appropriate scientific methods for data collection and data analysis
- Demonstrate ability in solving problems by using information and data
- Interpret outcomes of information derived from basic statistics
- Comply with statistical computer programs

#### **Course content**

- Scope and definition: Statistics for Development Studies
- Data and Measurement (Scale, nominal, ratio and ordinal)
- Descriptive statistics; Measures of Central tendency (Mean, Median, Mode)
- Measures of Dispersion (Range, Variance, Standard deviation, Skewness)
- Lorenz Curve and Gini's Coefficient
- Basic Probability
- Simple Correlation and liner regression
- Hypothesis testing and confidence intervals
- Application of Statistics for Development Studies using statistical computer programs.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Class practical work, Computer based learning (SPSS software) and Blended learning and Group work

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment, Assignments, Group work and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	End semester examination		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other
Class tests 15%, Assignments 20% and	60 - (%)(speci		(%)(specify)
Class attendance 5%.			

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Aggarwal B. M, (2013) Business Statistics, Ane Books Pvt. Ltd, India

Arora, P.N; Arora, Sumeet; Arora, S (2007) Comprehensive Statistical Methods, S. Chand & company Ltd, India

Pillai, R.S.N. & Bagavathi. (2018). Statistics: Theory and Practice. S. Chand & amp; Company Ltd, India Ross, S. (2019). A First Course in Probability. (10th Edition). Pearson Education Gupta, S.C. (2014), Fundamentals of Statistics, Himalaya Publishing House, India

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester					
Course Code	DVST 22443	DVST 22443				
Course Name	Gender and Developm	Gender and Development				
Credit Value	03	03				
Type	Compulsory	Compulsory				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Theory Practical Independent Learning				
	45	-	105			

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Explain the concept, role and evolution of the concepts of gender and development,
- Review genealogy of Gender related theories and differentiate theories of gender,
- Recognize the variety of Development perspectives that address gender issues,
- Examine the key factors that have been caused to gender issues and increase sensitivity to a broad range of gender issues at personal, interpersonal, institutional, and community levels,
- Evaluate the impact of development interventions on gender related development issues.

#### **Course Content:**

- Concepts of Gender and development- the evolution gender in development, Implications of the concepts of gender and Development
- Difference between gender and Sex
- Gender roles and relations
- Feminism and development; theoretical perspectives, implication for policy, research and action
- Gender equality and the economy
- Gender and reproductive health
- Gender issues; Issues pertaining to Gender Equality and Male and Female contribution levels in Development Process (Gender differentiation, Gender Inequality, Gender discrimination, Gender based violence)
- Gender Mainstreaming in development policy development, research, advocacy/ dialogue, legislation, resource allocation, and planning, implementation and monitoring of programmes and projects.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Discussions and Blended learning

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Desk review, Assignment, Presentation and end semester examination.

Continuous Assessment		Final Assessment		
40%	60%			
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
Quiz 15%, Assignment and presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-	

## **Recommended Reading:**

Arya, Sadhna, (2006), Poverty, gender and migration. Published by SAGE

Bhagawat Vidyat, (2004), Feminist Social thought an introduction six key thinkers Rawat Publications, Jaipur.

Momsen, J.H, (2004), Gender and Development, Psychology press

Parpart Jane L. , Connelly, M. Patricia, Barriteau, V. Eudine, (2000), Theoretical Perspectives on Gender and Development, The International Development and Research Center , Canada .

Sarkar Aanchal, (2006) Gender and Development, Pragun Pblisher, India

Stearns Peter N, (2006), Gender in World history, Rutledge Publishers, New York.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 22453				
Course Name	<b>Development Planning</b>	Development Planning I			
Credit Value	03	03			
Type	Compulsory				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	40	15	95		

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Distinguish different types of development plans with special attention to different politicoeconomic systems,
- Identify Events of Development Requirements and Planning,
- Investigate the stages of Development Planning,
- Examine the structure and content of development plans,
- Evaluating development plan with reference to Sri Lanka.

#### **Course Content**

- Introduction to Development Planning; Concept, Scope and fundamentals,
- Evolution of planning; Ideology in different politico-economic systems; planning in free-market economies, closed economies planning models of classical economics central planning ideologies and strategies,
- Identification of Development Events, Requirements/ Planning; Sustainability, Inclusion, Flexibility and Partnership,
- Stages of Development Planning; identification of problems, analysis and verifying, Policy formulation, Goals setting, evaluation and actions, legal, administrative, and participatory procedures,
- Types of Development Plans; Economic Planning, Physical/spatial planning, Regional Planning
- Roles and Time Horizons of Development Plans,
- Contents and structure of development plans; forecasting models. Linear programming, threshold analysis. Specification of target group/s, stakeholders, possible financiers, donors, time planning, and budgeting, Public consultation, and validation the plans.
- Evaluation of selected Development plan of Sri Lanka.

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Desk Review, Discussions and Blended learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Assignment, Presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		nent
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Mid-term test 15%, Individual/ Group Assignment, based on desk review and presentations 20% & Class attendance	60	-	-
05%.			

## **Recommended Reading:**

Department of National Planning.,(2001), Planning technique (realization the vision) Ministry of Financial Planning Colombo, Sri Lanka Freeman

Mathur B.L., (2008), Economic Planning and Development, Sublime Publication.

Rural Development Principle Polices Management, (1999), New Delhi, Katar Singh, Sage Publication.

T.W Freeman, (1974), Geography and Planning, Hutchinson Publication , United Kingdom.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 22462/ GEOG	DVST 22462/ GEOG 22472			
Course Name	Career Planning and	Career Planning and Development			
Credit Value	02	02			
Type	Auxiliary	Auxiliary			
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	25	15	60		

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Demonstrate the value of developing personal attributes,
- Examine the transferable skills to be acquired by the students during their university life,
- Comprehension of these attributes and skills, it is expected that the students should be able to discover successful employment opportunities and a productive social life,
- Prepare a successful career plan.

## **Course Content**

- Identify personal interests, skills, and values
- Assessing personal goals, abilities, needs, values and interests
- Time management, memory, reading, note-taking, testing techniques, and stress reduction
- Models on career planning:. John Holland's Theory of Career Choice, Frank Parsons's matching careers to talents, skills and personality Theory.
- SWOT and Gap Analysis for Career Planning and personality development
- Facing the interviews for available positions
- Plan and implement a program for Career development
- Career counseling and mentoring
- Taking appropriate action and decision-making
- Understanding career pathways and career connections.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Individual application exercises, Group activities, Class discussions, Assignments and workshops.

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Preparation of personal SWOT and Gap analysis, Career plan. End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)
Preparation of personal SWOT and Gap analysis			(specify)
15%, Career plan and presentation 20% & Class	60	-	-
attendances 5%.			

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Ashley, Roderic, (1998), Enhancing Your Employability, Oxford.

Raymond Gerson, (2012), Achieve Career Success: Discover and Get the Job You Want, 2nd Edition, Upbeat Press.

Smale, Bob and Julie Fowlie, 2008, How to Succeed at University: An Essential Guide to Academic Skills and Personal Development (Sage Study Skills Series)

Steven Garnesby, (2013), Career Planning & Development: The Path Towards Your Dream Job, Create Space Independent Publishing Platform.

Career theory and models. (n.d.). Retrieved July 21, 2020, Available on the web;

https://www.careers.govt.nz/resources/career-practice/career-theory-models/

#### LEVEL 3 – SEMESTER 1

Semester	1st Semester				
Course Code	<b>DVST 31413</b>	DVST 31413			
Course Name	Human Resource	Human Resource Development			
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Clarify the concept of Human Resource (HR) and its relationship with development
- Demonstrate the characteristics of HR and classify human resources
- Examine the human resources and development in Sri Lanka
- Recognize the role of education, health sector on human development
- Display analytical skills for identifying the interrelationship between human resources and development in the Developed and Developing Countries with special reference to Sri Lanka.

#### **Course Content**

- Introduction to Human Resource Development (HRD); Definition, nature, dimensions and significance
- Classification and Characteristics of Human resources for development in developed and developing countries
- Theories and models; Motivational, Socio-Psychosocial Developmental and Economic Theories,
- Approaches; Basic, Adult, Technical and Vocational and Higher Education, Environmental education and the role of non-government organizations.
- Evaluate national, regional and global level human development (Human Development Index)
- HR and economic development
- Physical and mental health qualities; Knowledge, attitudes, skills, training, psychological wellbeing
- Decent works and employment, under employment and unemployment
- Human capital and labor market
- Macro issues and challenges for HRD
- Policies for HRD
- HR and HRD of Sri Lanka.

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, Group work, Presentation and Blended learning.

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment, Individual Assignment and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz/ Tutorial 15%, Assignment and presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

## **Recommended Reading:**

Sen, A., (1999). Development as Freedom, First Anchor Book, New York.

Powell, L. J., & McGrath, S. (2019). Skills for human development: transforming vocational education and training. Routledge.

Rao, T. V. (1995). Human resources development: experiences, interventions, strategies. SAGE Publications India.

United Nations Development Programme. (2020). Human Development Report- 2020.

http://hdr.undp.org/

Werner, J. M., & DeSimone, R. L. R. L. (2011). Human resource development. Cengage Learning. අමරසිංහ.ඒ.ජී., (2014). සාර්ව මානව සම්පත් සංවර්ධනය, කතෘ පුකාශන

Semester	1st Semester				
Course Code	DVST 31423	DVST 31423			
Course Name	Fundamentals of Geo	Fundamentals of Geographical Information Systems			
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	25	60	65		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Identify and explain the fundamentals and concepts of Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- Describe the components of GIS and familiarizing the ArcGIS, and Open Source software
- Construct geospatial data; making maps, visualizing and interpreting by using GIS
- Demonstrate the basic of Global Positioning System (GPS) and Remote Sensing (RS)

#### **Course Content:**

- Introduction to GIS, GPS and RS; Scope, definitions and objectives
- Main components of GIS
- Data models; spatial and non-spatial data, raster and vector data
- Spatial and non-spatial data; characteristics, standards, capturing, processing and visualizing techniques
- Apply map elements; primary and secondary map elements
- Create topographic maps and thematic maps using GIS; Georeferencing, Digitizing, and Geoprocessing
- Fields of GIS, GPS, RS Applications

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Computer lab practical, Individual/ group work, Blended learning techniques

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Practical test (Individual/ group), and semester-end examination.

Continuous Assessment		Final Assessment	
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Class Test 15%, Practical Test 20%, Class attendance 05%	60	-	-
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## **Recommended Reading:**

Burrough P. A. and McDonnell R. A., 2000: Principles of Geographical Information Systems–Spatial Information Systems and Geostatistics, Oxford University Press.

Chang K.-T., 2009: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems, McGraw-Hill. Chrisman

Clarke K. C., 2001: Getting Started with Geographic Information Systems, Prentice Hall.

DeMers M. N., 2000: Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems, John Wiley & Sons

http://dl.booktolearn.com/ebooks2/science/geosciences/9781259929649\_Introduction\_to\_Geographic\_I nformation\_Systems\_9th\_Edition\_25de.pdf

https://www.esri.com/en-us/arcgis/about-arcgis/overview

Nicholas, R, 1996, Exploring Geographic Information Systems, John Wiley and Sons Inc., New York Ranagalage M., 2019: Geographic Information Systems, Sandesha Publication, Padukka

Semester	1st Semester				
<b>Course Code</b>	DVST 31434/ (	DVST 31434/ GEOG 31414			
Course Name	Geography of S	Sri Lanka			
Credit Value	04	04			
Type	Compulsory	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly	45	45	110		
Breakdown	13	+5	110		

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Demonstrate key geographical phenomenon of Sri Lanka and its surrounding factors,
- Inquiry in to temporal and special relationship with the development process in Sri Lanka,
- Synthesize the changing patterns of geographical issues in a broader temporal and spatial scale and further analysis their causes and consequences,
- Recognize with the suitable sustainable development approaches based on local and global resources.

## **Course Content**

- Scope of the Geography of Sri Lanka
- Physiography of Sri Lanka and geological background and geological history,
- Concepts and theories on formation of landscape
- Land resources; Soil, rocks and mineral resources of Sri Lanka
- Land use, Land development, and Agriculture
- Water resource: Rainfall, Evaporation and water balance, Run-off and river discharge, Circulation of groundwater, Irrigation and future water needs of the country
- Eco-system; Eco-systems of Natural forest, Grassland, Wetlands, Forest and Biomass as energy resources
- Natural hazards and disaster management; Drought and Dry weather, Floods, Cyclone, Seismic-see waves and Epidemics
- Development disparity and Development priorities
- Development challenges
- Geo-political potentials and barriers
- Sustainable development in Sri Lanka; Challenges and opportunities

## **Teaching / Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, Case study based on field work and Blended learning.

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Field based case studies, Inquiry-based/ problem-based discussions, assignment and semester end examination.

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details;	Theory	Practical	Other (%)
Quiz/Class test 10%,	(%)	(%)	(specify)
Participation of field work	60	-	-
and group report with			
presentations 25% & Class			
attendance 05%.			

#### **Recommended Readings:**

Cooray, P. G. (1984). An Introduction to the Geology of Sri Lanka (Ceylon), 2nd revised edition, Colombo.

Grover, Paul, A, (1996). Economic Development and Social Change in Sri Lanka: Spatial and Policy Analysis, Manohan Publishers. New Delhi

 $https://www.researchgate.net/publication/327221768\_Sustainable\_Sri\_Lanka\_2030\_Vision\_and\_Strategic\_Path$ 

Johnson, B. L. C., and M. Le Scrivenor. (1981). Sri Lanka: Land, People, and Economy. London: Heinemann.

Lakshman, W.D, (1997). Dilemmas of Development: Fifty Years of Economic Change in Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka Association of Economists, Colombo.

Peiris, G.H., (1996). Development and Change in Sri Lanka: Geographical Perspectives, Macmillan India Ltd, New Delhi

Peiris, G.H., (2006). Sri Lanka: Challenges of the New Millennium, Kandy Books, Kandy

Semester	1st Semester			
Course Code	DVST 31443			
Course Name	<b>Development Planning I</b>	Development Planning II		
Credit Value	03			
Туре	Compulsory			
Hourly Breakdown	Theory Practical Independent Learning			
	45	-	105	

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Define what a Project is, the Project Life Cycle, Challenges and Importance of Project planning,
- Demonstrate knowledge of the important processes which should be managed throughout the project cycle,
- Prepare and apply different project management processes, tools and techniques from executing, monitoring and controlling, up to project,

## **Course Content**

- Introduction; Concept, Characteristic and Scope of Project Planning
- Type of Projects; Project Cycle; Identification, Decision making and Planning
- Project Identification; Feasibility Studies
- Project Preparation: Project Profile; Logic al Framework Approach; Logical Framework Matrix; Project Appraisal: Cost-Benefit Analysis; Financial Analysis Vs. Socioeconomic Analysis
- Project Criteria: Internal Rate of Return and Benefit-Cost Ratio; Environmental Impact Assessment and Social Impact Assessment
- Project Evaluation of Development projects: Pre-Planning stage evaluation, Cost Effective Analysis; Impact Evaluation: Techniques and methods.

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Discussions and blended learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Desk review, Presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%) Practical (%) Other (%)(specify)		
Quiz 15%, Desk reviews and	60	-	-
Group report 20%, Class			
attendance 05%.			

Chandra, P.(1987), Projects Preparation Appraisal, Budgeting and implementation, New York, Tata, Mc Graw Hill.

Dasgupta,P, Sen A. K. and Marglin, S., (1972),Guide Line for projects Evaluation, New York, United Nations, Industrial development Organization.

Horine, G.M. (2014), Project Management- Absolute beginners guide, QUE publishers

Lester, A., (1991), Project Planning and Control, Second Edition, Butterworth, Heinemann.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 31452			
Course Name	Community Development Project <sup>+</sup>			
Credit Value	02			
Type	Auxiliary			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning	
Hourly Breakdown	15	45	40	

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Define the key principles of community development and determine its process,
- Experience in participating a community/ Community Development Project (CDP)/ program,
- Enhance understanding of groups and communities,
- Creative ways to work with community,
- Practices of civic/ student leaders/ members, activists and involved member to improve various aspects of communities, typically aiming to build stronger and more resilient the selected community/ ties.

## **Course Content:**

- Introduction to Community Development Project
- The key principles of Community Development
- The role and value of Community-Based Organizations and become a member
- The Community Development process and strategies,
- Government and Community Development
- Community Development Approaches
- Disasters and Community Development
- Sustainability and the future of Community Development
- Community Development Organizations & Community Engagement
- Involvement and experiences from a selected CDP/ Program.

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Interactive lecture, discussions and blended learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance and Group/ Individual project report based on the personal experience/ involvement.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment
40%	60%

Details:	Theory (%)	Practical	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 10%, Group/ Individual Project		(%)	Group/ Individual project report
proposal on community development			and presentation
and presentation 25% & Class			
attendance 05%.	-	-	60%

Centre for Vocational and Continuing Education, (2014), Basic Concepts of Community
Development- Course Book, The University of the South Pacific Online available on the web:
<a href="http://oasis.col.org/bitstream/handle/11599/1008/1.Basic Concepts of Community Development\_Course\_Book.pdf?sequence=2&isAllowed=y">http://oasis.col.org/bitstream/handle/11599/1008/1.Basic Concepts of Community Development\_Course\_Book.pdf?sequence=2&isAllowed=y</a>

Rhonda Phillips and Robert H. Pittman, (2009), An Introduction to Community Development, Routledge Publication. Available on the web: <a href="https://loomio-">https://loomio-</a>

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Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 31462/ SOCI 31462			
Course Name	Social Dynamism ar	Social Dynamism and Development++		
Credit Value	02			
Туре	Compulsory/ Optional			
Hourly Breakdown	Theory Practical Independent Learning			
	25	15	60	

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Describe the theoretical background of social change through practical social situations,
- Explain the Role of the applied sociologist's in Policy Making,
- Examine social problems.

#### **Course Content:**

- Scope of the "Social Dynamism and Development"
- Concept of Social change and its impacts on Development
  - Meaning of social change.
  - Factors affecting social change.
  - Short term social change and social mobility.
  - The nature and effects of modernization, urbanization, commercialization, globalization and westernization on long term social change.
- Multiple Social Forms as regulating factors of development Sri Lanka
  - Identify ethnic groups and their characteristics.
  - Identification of ethnicity and ethnic identity.
  - Race, social diversity and pluralism.
  - Ethnic problem in Sri Lanka and its current trends.
- Social welfare and development: Relations
  - Conceptual and theoretical understanding of welfare and social security and social Development.
  - Initiatives and programs of the welfare movement in Sri Lanka.
- Social problems as negative results in development process
  - Poverty, Suicide, Prostitution, Child Abuse, Child Deviancy, Crime, Drugs Addiction.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Discussions and blended learning

Assessment Strategy:				
Class attendance and Group/ Individual assignment and End semester examination.				
Continuous Assessment Final Assessment				
40%	60%			
Details;	Theory (%) Practical (%) Other (%)(specify)			
Mid-term test 10%, Group/ Individual assignment and presentation 25% & 60 - Class attendance 05%.				
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Rogers, M.E. (1995). Diffusion of Innovation. New York: The Free Press.

Vago, S. (2004). Social change. Peking: Peking university press.

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#### **LEVEL 3 – SEMESTER 2**

Semester	02 <sup>nd</sup> Semester		
Course Code	DVST 32413		
Course Name	Global Development Drives		
Credit Value	03		
Core	Compulsory		
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105

#### **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Demonstrate the historical process of global development concept and process of contemporary global development.
- Integrate the theories and to evaluate the practices of applying theories to current global development attempts through case studies
- Assess how theory and research are put into practice via global development institutions, programs, and policies to make global human wellbeing.

#### **Course content**

- Introductory analysis for global development studies
- The Bretton Woods agreement and institutions
- Colonization and decolonization; anti-colonial take on cultural differences and national selfdetermination
- Truman Doctrine
- The Marshall Plan
- Political and economic liberalism, and the significance of "free markets"
- North-south dialogue and South-South cooperation
- Poverty alleviations and inequality of income
- Structural adjustment programs
- 'Bottom-up' and "top down' approaches, ranging from civil disobedience and critical consciousness to appropriate technology and participatory development
- Millennium Development Goals and the Human Development approach
- Public-private partnerships and promoting the idea of Corporate social responsibility

• War on Terrorism and global disasters on global development.

**Teaching /Learning Methods**: Lectures, blended learning and teaching strategies, group works, Independ learning, case studies

**Assessment Strategy**: Class attendance, Continuous Assessment Test, Individual/ Group assignment and presentations and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Mid-term test 15%, Group/individual presentations 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Develtere, P. (2012). How Do We Help? The Free Market In Development Aid, Leuven University Press.

Harvey D. (2014). Seventeen Contradictions and the End of Capitalism, Reprint Edition, Oxford University Press.

Lorenzini, S. (2019). Global Development. Princeton University Press.

McNeil, John Donald. International Development: Challenge and Controversy, Sentia Publishing Sumner, A., and Tribe, M. A. (2008). International Development Studies: Theories and Methods in Research and Practice, SAGE Publications, London

Wilkinson, R. and Hulme, D. (eds.) (2012) The Millennium Development Goals and Beyond: Global Development after 2015, Routledge, London.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester		
Course Code	DVST 32423		
Course Name	Research Methodology	for Development Stud	lies
Credit Value	03		
Туре	Compulsory		
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning
Hourly Breakdown	40	15	95

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

By undertaking this course unit, the students will be able to

- Determine and discuss the role and importance of research in the field of Development Studies
- Demonstrate the way in which research is designed and conducted,
- Discuss the complex issues inherent in selecting a research problem and selecting an appropriate research design,
- Analyze the data and testing hypothesis,
- Apply the best research instruments to be utilized in the pursuit of goals in their own research projects and the quest for the solution of a research problem.

#### **Course Content:**

- Introduction of Research; Philosophy, Objectives, Utility and Importance of Research. Concept of theory, deductive and inductive theory and Characteristics of scientific method
- Literature review, Ethics and plagiarism
- Problem Identification and Formulation; Research Problem and Research Question
- Research Design; Characteristics and Types
- Qualitative and Quantitative Research; measurement, causality, generalization, replication
- Sampling; Concepts of Statistical Population, Sample, Sampling Frame, Sampling Error, Sample Size. Characteristics of a good sample.
  - Types of Sample; Simple Random Sample, Systematic Sample, Stratified Random Sample & Multi-stage sampling. Determining size of the sample
- Data collection, Tabulation, Analysis and Interpretation
- Measurement Issues and Hypothesis; Qualities of a good Hypothesis, Null Hypothesis & Alternative Hypothesis. Hypothesis Testing, Logic & Importance
- Use of tools / techniques for Research; use of statistical software
- Preparation of synopsis.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Class discussions and Blended learning

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment, Synopsis with presentation and End semester examination

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		nent
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 10%, Synopsis with presentation	60	-	-
25%, Class attendance 05%			

## **Recommended Reading:**

Daniel Montello and Paul Sutton., (2012), An Introduction to Scientific Research Methods in Geography and Environmental Studies, SAGE Publication.

John P. Jones and Basil Gomez., (2010), Research Methods in Geography: A Critical Introduction, Wiley-Blackwell Publication, Oxford.

Kumar, Ranjith, 1996, Research Methodology: A Step by Step Guide for Beginners, SAGE Publications Ltd, London

Uwe Flick, (2010), An Introduction to Quantitative Research SAGE Publication.

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Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester		
Course Code	DVST 32433 / GEOG 32443		
Course Name	Advanced Geographical Information Systems		
Credit Value	03		
Type	Compulsory		
Hourly Breakdown	Theory Practical Independent Learning		
	30	45	75

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Justify suitable application of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and RS to analysis spatial data
- Practice to manipulate GIS related data

- Customize the spatial distribution of phenomena and provide meaningful analysis of spatial attributes
- Recognize GIS analysis to address for related problems
- Display the models with Geo-spatial data using the GIS and RS

#### **Course Content:**

- Advanced Geographical Information Systems (GIS); Scope and objectives
- Geo-processing and model design
- Spatial analysis of interpolation and extrapolation techniques; IDW, Spline, Kriging, Thiessen polygon
- 3D analysis; Digital Elevation Model(DEM), Triangular Irregular Network(TIN)
- Data and information processing techniques; creating geodatabase, Shape files, Thematic maps, Topographic maps, Excel Data
- Intergraded applications/approaches of Geo -informatics (GIS, RS, GPS); Processing, mapping and analysis
- Introduction to Geospatial open source software
- Independent project on Geo-informatics

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, computer lab practical, Class discussions, Blended learning and Case study based Group work

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Mid-term practical test, Assignment, Semester end practical examination and Individual project

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details; Quiz - 10%, Mid-term test 25%, Class attendance 05%	Theory (%)	Practical (%) 40%	Other (%) (specify)  Individual project and presentation 20%
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#### **Recommended Reading:**

Nicolas B., Clement M., Mehrez Z., 2018, QGIS and applications in agriculture and forest, ISTE Ltd. London ,UK . Available on <a href="https://www.esri.com/en-us/arcgis/about-arcgis/overview">https://www.esri.com/en-us/arcgis/about-arcgis/overview</a>

Zhilin Li, Jun chen, Emmanual B., 2008, Advance in photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information sciences, 2008. ISPRS congress book, Tailor and francis group, London, UK Zhu X., 2016, GIS for environmental applications: a practical approach, Routledge.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 32443			
Course Name	Culture and Development			
Credit Value	03			
Туре	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent	
Hourly Breakdown			Learning	
	45	-	105	

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Contrast the inter-relationships between culture and development,
- Assess differing theories related to culture and development,
- Develop analytical skills for interpreting human landscape as an expression of cultural forces,
- Integrate the indicators and assessment for cultural development,
- Identify the issues pertaining to culture and development,
- Cultural heath for sustainable development.

#### **Course content**

- Introduction to culture and development; Concept, Scope and Significance
- Characteristics of culture; Cultural landscape, Area and diffusion, Component of culture Cultural identity and Cultural diversity
- Human Civilizations; Cultural Heritage and Cultural Capital
- Theoretical approaches of culture: Materialism, Marxism, Feminism and Gender
- Culture and Economic Development
- Perspective on culture and globalization
- Culture and development indicators
- Social Impact Assessments
- Cultural Hearth for sustainability; Cultural Diffusion, Cultural Segregation and Cultural Diversity
- Diffusion of major world religions and languages
- Culture, Technology and Development
- Culture related Development Issues; Poverty, Development Backwardness, Violence and Racism)
- Trans-nationalism
- Cultural Policies for Development

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Video presentation, Individual presentation and Blended learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous assessment, Class assignment, Presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment 40%		Final Assessment 60%		
Details; Quiz/ Tutorial 15%, Class assignment and	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-	

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Donald Mitchell, (2000), Cultural Geography: A Critical Introduction, Blackwell Publishers Ltd, USA. Jordan-Bychkov, Terry, and Mona Domosh, (2003), The Human Mosaic: A Thematic Introduction to Cultural Geography, New York: W.H. Freeman and Company.

Mitchell, D. (2000), Cultural Geography-A Critical Introduction, Black Well.

Kottak, Conrad Phillip, (2009), Cultural Anthropology: Appreciating Cultural Diversity, 14th Edition, New York, McGraw-Hill.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 32453 / GEOG :	DVST 32453 / GEOG 32453			
Course Name	Institutional Training/	Institutional Training/ Internship			
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown	10	240	-		

After completion of this course unit/program, the students will be able to;

- Get an opportunity of learning to work in a selected institution that is consistent with the field of Geography, under the supervision of an employer and a coordinating lecturer,
- Gain self-confidence, self-understanding and interpersonal skills and they will develop work competencies for a specific occupation,
- Demonstrate their familiarity with intellectual skills, transferable skills and excellent personal attributes,
- Experience also helps students gain a clearer sense of what they still need to learn and provides an opportunity to build professional networks,
- Apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom in a work setting.

## **Course Content:**

- . The internship would essentially include the "total work experience" on the following:
  - Gain knowledge and practical experience within the institute
  - Skills on problem solving and decision making
  - Planning, service learning and customer care
  - Keeping records and use of resources
  - IT skills and communication skills
  - Community service, social skills, nurturing relationships and volunteering
  - Leadership, responsible citizenship and truthfulness
  - Contributions to group efforts and teamwork
  - Time-management
  - Self-motivation, attendance and punctuality
  - Coping with uncertainty, flexibility and conflict resolution
  - Develop a greater understanding about career options while more clearly defining personal career goals.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures (Guidelines), Guest talk and Institutional training/ On the Job Training (OJT)

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Time sheet, Internship experiences report and Interview.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
00%	100%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical	Other (%)(specify)
None		(%)	Time sheet, Internship Experience
	-	-	Report and interview
			(50% + 40% + 10% = 100%)

## **Recommended Reading:**

Frederick H. Sweitzer, (2014), Successful Internship - 4th edition, Cole Publishing Co.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 32462/ GEOG 32462			
Course Name	Critical Thir	Critical Thinking		
Credit Value	02			
Туре	Auxiliary			
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning	
	15	50	35	

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Practice for logical discussions, and justify decisions using geographic perspectives,
- Prepare for critical and productive group discussion effectively,
- Improve the logical and coherent arguments to utilize creative techniques in Development studies,
- Convince the writing and speaking processes through invention, organization, drafting, revising, editing, and presenting the creative works.

#### **Course Content**

- Concept, fundamentals, techniques, and process of creative thinking
- Interpretation in critical thinking; Information seeking, interpretation, analysis, synthesizing, inference, evaluation, explanation, deduction, conclusions, logic, and assumptions
- Significance of critical thinking for making decisions
- Elements of Bloom's taxonomy and critical thinking skills toolkit for creative graduates
- Criteria for sound arguments and making conclusions
- Identify common errors of thought, barriers and break the barriers
- The community of practice; Sharing resources, knowledge, practices, and purposes

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, blended learnings, and participatory learning

#### **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Continuous Assessment, Activity-based and problem-based group discussions, small group works and presentations and semester-end examination.

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details; Mid-term tests 15 %, Group work/Assignment with presentation: 20% & Class attendance 05%.	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify) Individual report and presentation 60%

## **Recommended Readings:**

Chatfield, T., (2018) Critical Thinking: Your Guide to Effective Argument, Successful Analysis and Independent Study, Sage, London

Crang, M., Thrift, N., (2000), Thinking Space (Critical Geographies), Routledge, London Critical Thinking Skills, Lumen Learning, Available on the web:

https://courses.lumenlearning.com/suny-collegesuccess-lumen1/chapter/critical-thinking-skills/

### LEVEL 4 – SEMESTER 1

Semester	1st Semester				
<b>Course Code</b>	DVST 41413/ GE	DVST 41413/ GEOG 41413			
Course Name	Land Use Plannin	g			
Credit Value	03	03			
Type	Compulsory				
Hourly	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Breakdown	35	30	85		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Appraise the land as a basic resource
- Examine the need for land use planning,
- Outline the policies, legal and institutional contexts of land use planning,
- Construct the relationship with institutes which related to land use planning in Sri Lanka
- Define and practice the sustainable answers to land use related issues in Sri Lanka,

#### **Course Content**

- Introduction to Land-use Planning.
- Concepts, theories, approaches, and strategies of land use, and land use planning.
- Land as a basic resource, Function of land, political interference on land, Land rent, Intensity of land use, and Market behavior of Land use.
- Historical evolution and background factors of Land-use Planning.
- Governance, ownership, and management of land and land resources,
- Land use classification and Land Classification systems,
- Land Evaluation for Land use planning-FAO Framework, Participatory land evaluation.
- Land qualities and characteristics as diagnostic criteria, Land use Indices, Land use requirements.
- Legal and institutional set-up for the land use planning process in Sri Lanka
- Present system and regulations of land use planning in Sri Lanka,
- Land use issues and sustainable resolutions of Sri Lanka

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Practical training at the Land Use Policy Planning Department (LUPPD), PRA at the field and blended learning, problem and inquiry-based small group activities

# **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Group/Individual work based on case studies, Presentations and End semester examination

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		
40%	60%		
Details:	Theory	Practical	Other
Mid-term test 10%, Group activities 10%, Individual/Group assignments and presentations 15% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	(%)(specify)

Carlos Loures, (2019). Land-Use Planning and Land-Use Change [Open access peer-reviewed], Available on the web; <a href="https://www.intechopen.com/books/land-use-assessing-the-past-envisioning-the-future/introductory-chapter-land-use-planning-and-land-use-change-ascatalysts-of-sustainable-development">https://www.intechopen.com/books/land-use-assessing-the-past-envisioning-the-future/introductory-chapter-land-use-planning-and-land-use-change-ascatalysts-of-sustainable-development</a>

M.A. Silberstein and Maser, C., (2013). Land-Use Planning for Sustainable Development, Routledge Publication.

Land use policy planning department of Sri Lanka; https://www.nsdi.gov.lk/land-use-policy-planning-department

Dent D.L. Deshpande S.B.(1993). Land Evaluation for Land Use Planning, Indian Council for Agricultural Research, Nagpur

Mandal, R.B.,(1990). Land Utilization; Theory and Practice.

FAO, (1976). A Framework for Land Evaluation, Rome.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 41423	DVST 41423			
Course Name	Development Policy an	Development Policy and Practices of Sri Lanka			
Credit Value	03	03			
Type	Compulsory	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
Hourly Breakdown 45 - 10					

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Discuss the economic growth and social development experiences of Sri Lanka since colonial era to the present day.
- Examine how the country shifted from the feudalistic socio-economic system to the capitalistic socio-economic system.
- Analyze the development experiences of the country during the post-colonial period and define the background factors that influencing those experiences.
- Define the main political streams that have influenced the shape and direction of development policies in the country.

## **Course content**

- Introduction to development policy and practices; Concept, scope and importance
- Policy Practices in Colonial era; European imperialist influences on Sri Lanka.
- Policy Practices after the independence; Development planning of Sri Lanka.
- Policy Practices after 1977.
- Policy Practices in 21st Century.
- Lessons learned from policy practices since colonial era.

#### **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Group activities, Class discussions, Presentations and Debates

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Individual and Group presentations and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment			
40%	60%			
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
Quiz 10 %, Class Test 10%, Group work with	60	-	-	
presentation 15% & Class attendance 05%.				

Gunasinghe, N., (2011), Selected Essays, Colombo, Social Scientists Association.

Lakshman.W.D., (1997). Introduction - Dilemmas of Development (fifty years of economic change in Sri Lanka), Sri Lanka association of Economists.

Sumanapala. P., (2018). National and Sub National Planning Approaches in Sri Lanka (1948-2018) A Critical Review, Author Publication.

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Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 41433	DVST 41433			
Course Name	Political Economy & Development				
Credit Value	03				
Туре	Compulsory				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	45	-	105		

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Clarify the principles of political economy,
- Detailed understanding of political and economic activities and processes.
- Compare the multi-culturalism and with new World order,
- Justify the economic and political decentralization,
- Identifying the trends of contemporary political issues,
- Appraise the Government intervention in internationalization and mercantilism.

# **Course content**

- Introduction to Political Economy
- Political Systems; Collectivism, Socialism, Individualism, Democracy and Totalitarianism
- Economic Systems; Market Economy, Command Economy and Mixed Economy
- Legal System
- Political Economy and Broader Conceptions of Economic Development
- Geography, Education and Economic Development
- Multi-culturalism
- The New World order and Spread of Market based Systems (Including Globalization)
- Implications of Changing Political Economy
- Political Economy of Decentralized Governance
- Preferential Trade Liberalization
- Green Field Investment and Political Ideology
- Cross National Cooperation and Agreements
- Open Regionalism
- Political and Economic Arguments for Government Intervention in Internationalization and Mercantilism.

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Individual presentations, Group activities, Class discussions, Assignments, and workshop.

# **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Individual Assignment with presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment	
40%	60%	

Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Mid-tern test 15%, Individual assignment and presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

Baylis, J., Smith, S. and Owens, P. (eds.) (2017) 'The Globalization of World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations'. 7th Edition.

Brown, C. and Ainley, K. (2009) Understanding International Relations 4th Edition

Burchill, S., Linklater, A. et al. (2013) Theories of International Relations, 5th edition.

Calvocoressi, P. (2009) World Politics since 1945, Pearson Education.

Williams, P. D. (2014) Security Studies: An introduction, Routledge.

Semester	1st Semester		
Course Code	DVST 41443		
Course Name	Poverty Analysis		
Credit Value	03		
Type	Compulsory		
Hourly	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning
Breakdown	45	-	105

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Demonstrate the concept of poverty, different forms of poverty and poverty as it manifests in different regions within one country and, in different parts of the world,
- Contrast key issues regarding the causes and consequences of poverty
- Explore a wide variety of approaches to understanding and discuss solutions for poverty mitigation,
- Discover and examine regional and global variations in relative and absolute poverty,
- Appraise the policy design to reduce poverty in the World as well as in Sri Lanka.

## **Course Content**

- Scope of Poverty analysis; History of the concept of poverty and wellbeing
- Poverty and of different forms of poverty; Absolute and Relative poverty
- Approaches to defining and measuring poverty; Poverty line and other measurements
- Describing poverty; Multidimensional Poverty, Poverty Profile and Poverty mapping
- Culture of poverty; Causes of poverty and its effects
- Poverty eradication; Different approaches to understanding and providing solutions for poverty mitigation
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) on 'No Poverty'
- Policy impacts on Poverty Institutional factors that hinder eradication of poverty, Measures
- Policies designed to reduce poverty; Global or international level and from community perspectives.
- Actions taken to alleviate poverty in Sri Lanka
- Case studies of poverty assessments and poverty reduction

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Case study-based assignment, Individual presentation, and Blended learning

# **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance. Desk review based on case study. Presentation and End semester examination.

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Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment			
40%	60%			

Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify
Quiz 15%, Desk reviews, Group	60	-	-
report and presentations 20% &			
Class attendance 05%			

Klugman Jeni, (2002), A Sourcebook for Poverty Reduction Strategies. World Bank, New York.

Quibria Muhammad Ghulam, (1993), Rural poverty in Asia: priority issues and policy options. Oxford University Press

Rodgers Gerry, José B. Figueiredo, Rolph van der Hoeven, Zafar Shaheed, (1995), New Approaches to Poverty Analysis and Policy. International Institute for Labour Studies

World Bank, (1998). Poverty reduction and the World Bank: progress in fiscal 1998. World Bank Publication

Atkinson A.B, (2019), Measuring poverty around the world, Princeton University Press.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 41453/ GEOG 4	DVST 41453/ GEOG 41453			
Course Name	Rural Development#				
Credit Value	03	03			
Туре	Compulsory/ Optional				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory Practical Independent Learning				
	40	15	95		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Compare the concepts of rural development and their dynamic process.
- Critically examine the key concepts and ground realities associated with the rural development process, measurements, and phases,
- Analyze and synthesize the backwardness, poverty, and modernization in the rural sector n the developing world,
- Criticize the challenges faced by the rural sector, and to recommend sustainable strategies to enhance the wellbeing of the rural livelihood in Sri Lanka.

#### **Course Content**

- Concept, Nature, Scope and basic elements of rural development
- Theories and models of rural development; Sectoral, Multi-sectoral, Territorial and Local
- Causes of rural backwardness and poverty
- Approaches to rural development in developing countries
- Phases of rural development; Different approaches of community development, Integrated Rural Development, State-led to Market liberalization, Empowerment, Sustainable livelihood, and Poverty reduction, Public-private partnership for rural development
- Measurements of rural development progress; Economic, Social, political and Environment
- Rural workforce and poverty; Push and Pull factors, Local governance, and rural development
- Modernization of agriculture: Changing rural livelihood, Impacts on micro-finance and sustainable livelihood
- Labor market patterns, women's participation, and rural development
- Progress of rural development strategies of Sri Lanka.

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Field visit, field-based group work, discussions and blended learning

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Assignment based on rural development activity and End semester examination

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 15%, Group Assignment with presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

## **Recommended Reading:**

Gary P. Green (ed), (2013). Handbook of Rural Development, Edwards Elgar Publication.

Krishnamurthy, J. (2000). Rural Development: Problems and Prospects, Rawat Publications.

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Semester	1st Semester				
Course Code	DVST 41463/ GEOG 4	DVST 41463/ GEOG 41463			
Course Name	Urban Planning for Do	Urban Planning for Development##			
Credit Value	03				
Type	Compulsory/ Optional				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	40	15	95		

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Critically examine the geographical perspectives, approaches to explain the spatial patterns of
- development under the various circumstance,
- Compare the concept of urban planning,
- Critically analyze and to synthesize the theories and models of urban development,
- Analyze the backward and forward linkages on development,
- Outline the different measures for assessing urban development,
- Decide the urban disparity and measures to overcome the disparity.

#### **Course Content**

- Theoretical Concepts and Frameworks for Urban planning for Development
- Urban planning: Types, principles, objectives, tools, and techniques
- Growth and development, growth versus development, sustainability and equity in development (Efficiency versus equity in development)
- Different doctrines of urban planning and development: Cumulative causation The neoclassical conception, Herbert A. Simion; Alfred Marshall, Vilfredo Pareto, The Keynesian Conception; John Maynard,
- Paul Samuelson, The neo- Marxist conception; The monetarist Conception; Milton Friedman
- Indicators of urban development: Economic, demographic, and environmental
- Human development approach in urban development: Concept and measurements
- The pattern of urban development and regional disparity and diversity of Sri Lanka,
- Forward-backward linkages, rural-urban relations and spatial organization for urban development
- Challenges and measures for balanced urban planning and development in Sri Lanka.

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Guest talk, Discussions and blended learning

# **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Desk review, Presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Mid-term tests 15%, Desk reviews and group presentations 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

## **Recommended Reading:**

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Hourly Breakdown	15	45	40
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning
Type	Auxiliary		
Credit Value	02		
Course Name	Academic Writing		
Course Code	DVST 41472/ GEOG 41	472	
Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

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- Apprise writings of academics,
- Integrate characteristics of academic wittings
- Produce knowledge on writing styles and writing formats

# **Course Content:**

- Scope and Definition of Academic Writing
- Academic writing: purpose, audience, evidence, style and writing process
- Characteristics of academic writing
- Structure of a paragraph
- Developing paragraphs to an article
- Quality improving steps of a paragraph/article
- Developing academic vocabulary,
- Reading and interpretation
- Plagiarism and literature review
- Writing research papers & essays
- Formats of tables, graphs, map
- Preparation the list of references using accepted styles

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Video, Group activity and Blended learning

# **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendant, Individual read and interpretation, Short essay writing and Presentation.

Continuous Assessment 40%	Final Assessment 60%		
Details:	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz on vocabulary test 15%, Short essay and presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

# **Recommended Reading:**

Douglass, Frederick. (1845). Chapter VII: "Learning to Read and Write" from Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, Wtitten by Himself. Available on the web: http://sscwriting.kellimcbride.com/pol\_ereader/pol\_douglass\_learning.pdf

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#### LEVEL 4 – SEMESTER 2

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	<b>DVST 42412/ GEO</b> 0	DVST 42412/ GEOG 42412			
Course Name	Sustainable Develop	ment			
Credit Value	02				
Type	Compulsory				
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	30	-	70		

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Outline the concept of Sustainable Development (SD), the environmental, social and economic dimensions,
- Discuss the conflicts which are involved in the SD concept on the national as well as on the global scale.
- Familiar with potential strategic options for SD (efficiency, sufficiency),
- Provide knowledge and skills to promote SD for lifestyle.

#### **Course Content**

- Introduction and History: Brundtland, Rio, SDGs
- Basic Concepts, Strategies and Measurement
- Sustainability and SD
- Sustainable development approaches and practices
- Efficiency and Innovation, Green Growth and Rebound
- Instruments for SD
- Education focuses on Global Citizenship Education (GCED) and Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)
- SD and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence for global citizenship
- Geographical parameters for SD: Environmental degradation, Biodiversity, Climate Change.

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Discussions, Debate and Blended learning

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Presentation and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment 60%		
Details:	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Quiz 15%, Assignment with	, ( · · · )	(,	(17/01
presentation 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

## **Recommended Readings:**

Strachan, J., Vigilance, C. (2008). Sustainable Development in Small Island Developing States Issues and Challenges, Commonwealth Secretariat, London.

Brundtland Commission Report (1987), Our Common Future, Oxford University Press.

Dalal-Clayton, B. and Bass, S. (2002), Sustainable Development Strategies: A Resource Book, Routledge

Peter R. Atsatt., (2006), An Introduction to Sustainable Development, EARTHSCAN Peiris, G.H., (2006), Sri Lanka: Challenges of the New Millennium, Kandy Books, Kandy Mohan Munasinghe, Sustainable Sri Lanka 2030: Vision and Strategic Path, Available on the web: https://www.researchgate.net/publication/327221768\_Sustainable\_Sri\_Lanka\_2030\_Vision\_and\_Strategic\_Path

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester			
Course Code	DVST 42423			
Course Name	Development Thoughts			
Credit Value	03			
Type	Compulsory			
	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning	
Hourly Breakdown	45	-	105	

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Critically examine the ideas on development and their application in practice can be properly
  understood only within their historical, political, social, spatial, economic, and institutional
  contexts.
- Describe contemporary thought of development while policymakers are also progressively drawing inspiration from beyond the intellectual capitals that loomed large in the past,

• Strength the philosophical background of development to apply and to create appropriate development policies, programs, strategies and to make sustainable decisions for the process of development at different levels and contexts.

#### **Course content**

- Introduction to the spatial and temporal evolution of development thought
- Enlightenment origins of political economy and natural capitalism
- The British enlightenments and classical philosophy
- Utilitarianism, ethical economic thought, skepticism
- Neoclassical thought
- Keynesianism for social democracy
- Structuralism and poststructuralism
- Liberalism and Neoliberalism
- Naturalism and rationalism
- Structural functionalism
- Idealism and materialism of social progress, structural Marxism
- Imperialism, Colonialism, Postcolonialism, and post-developmentalism
- Modernism, postmodernism, and critical modernism
- Feminism in development
- Sustainability, environmentalism, Human ecology, and Political ecology.

**Teaching /Learning Methods**: Lectures, blended learning and teaching strategies, group works, Independ learning, case studies

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, CAT, Individual and group presentations, class debates and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment		essment
40%	60%		%
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)
Class Test 15%, Assignment and presentations 20% & Class attendance 05%.	60	-	-

# **Recommended Reading:**

Cammarosano, J. R. (2018). The Development of Economic Thought: An Overview, Lexington Books Key Potter, R., Conway, D., Evans, R., Lloyd-Evans, S. (2012). Concepts in Development Geography SAGE Publications. London

Currie-Alder, B., Kanbur, R., Malone, D. M., and Medhora, R. (2014). International Development: Ideas, Experience, and Prospects, Oxford University Press, Online.

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Srivatsan, R. (Ed.), (2015) History of Development Thought: A Critical Anthology 1st Edition, Routledge, New Delhi.

Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	DVST 42432				
Course Name	Development Administr	ration			
Credit Value	02				
Туре	Compulsory	Compulsory			
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning		
	30	-	70		

## **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to;

- Define the fundamental concepts of public policy and administration,
- Analyze the Constitutional / legal / due process of public administration; and its importance, strengths and weaknesses,
- Ability to bridge the theory and practice of public administration and policy implementation.
- Apply project management concepts to improve public sector.

#### **Course content**

- The concept, nature, scope and importance of development administration,
- Enhancement of knowledge and skills in development administration,
- Characteristics of administration in Developing and Developed countries,
- New trends in peoples' self-development, empowerment, and managing private public partnerships,
- Improve the productivity, efficiency, equity, and punctuality of organizational systems,
- Administrative structure of Sri Lanka with reference to 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> chapters of the constitution,
- Administrative process of plan & implementation at the regional and national levels, National planning boards and institutions. And their role in regional development,
- Role of Divisional Secretaries and Local Governments in Sri Lanka,
- Issues and policy strategies for better administration.

## **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Lectures, Presentations, Group activities, Class debates

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Class attendance, Individual/Group presentations and End semester examination.

Continuous Assessment		Final Assessment		
40%	60%			
Details:	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)	
Quiz 15%, Assignment with presentations	60	-	-	
20% & Class attendance 05%.				

### **Recommended Reading:**

CQ Researcher, (2020). Issues for Debate in American Public Policy: Selections from CQ Researcher Twenty Second Edition, SAGE, California

Farmer, J. D. (2020). Beyond Public Administration: Contemplating and Nudging Government-in-Context (Routledge Research in Public Administration and Public Policy) 1st Edition, Routledge, London.

Herath, H. M. A. (2017) Sanwardhana Paripalanaya - Vivechanathmaka Vishleshanayak, Sarasavi Publishers, Nugegoda.

Palekar, S. A. (2012). Development Administration, 1st edition, Phi Learning Private Limited; Delhi. Warnapala, V. W.A. (2008) Sanwardhana Paripalanaya, S. Godage, Colombo.

Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester				
Course Code	<b>DVST 43448 / GEOG</b>	DVST 43448 / GEOG 43448			
Course Name	Dissertation				
Credit Value	08				
Туре	Compulsory				
	Theory Practical Independent Learning				
Hourly Breakdown - 400					

# **Intended Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of this course unit, the students will be able to

- Demonstrate the knowledge and skills gained throughout the degree program and apply them to a specific research question,
- Gain skills to formulate a research proposal which is based on a research question and justifying the methodology,
- Search and summaries literature
- Enable students to carry out independent project.

# **Course Content: (This unit does not include lectures on formal topics)**

- The undergraduate dissertation/ project within the field of Geography is an individual study,
- The dissertation/ project includes search and summary of literature,
- Collection, tabulation and analysis of data and find solution for the research question,
- The dissertation/project is mastered under individual supervision,
- The supervision includes how to perform a scientific study and how to orally and in writing present gathered data in good scientific manner,
- Enable students to carry out independent project.

# **Teaching /Learning Methods:**

Independent learning, Workshop and Individual guidance

## **Assessment Strategy:**

Research proposal, Workshop and Dissertation/ Project

Continuous Assessment	Final Assessment				
20%	80%				
Details;	Theory (%)	Practical (%)	Other (%)(specify)		
Attending to meet supervisor (at least 08	-	-	Dissertation/ Project		
times) 10% and Viva voce 10%.			80%		

#### **Recommended Reading:**

Bryan Greetham, (2014), How to Write Your Undergraduate Dissertation (3rd Edition), Macmillan Publication.

Dharmasiri, L.M. (2014), Samajeeya Vidya Paryeshana (in Sinhala), Godage Publication.

Nicholas Walliman, (2013), Your Undergraduate Dissertation: The Essential Guide for Success, SAGE Publishing.

#### **APPENDIXES**

# Criteria for BA Honours Degree Academic Year - 2018/ 2019

## 1. BA Honours Degree

- 1.1 BA Honours Degree consists of four levels.
- 1.2 A minimum of 30 credits at each level totaling to a minimum of 120 credits should be completed within all the four levels. A minimum of 90 credits of the said 120 credits should be obtained from the compulsory course units of the main subject of the BA Honours Degree program and 30 credits could be from the level one course units of the BA Degree.
- 1.3 A student can register for a minimum of 30 credits and a maximum of 40 credits at second, third and fourth levels. At these levels, it is not allowed to register for the BA General Degree course units of the subject selected for the special degree.
- 1.4 "C" or better grades should be obtained for the compulsory course units of the main subject of the BA Honours Degree program and for the 8 or 10 credits of the level one course units of the said main subject of the BA Degree.
- 1.5 "C" or better grades should be obtained for a minimum of 108 credits out of the registered course units.
- 1.6 The minimum GPA should be 2.00
- 1.7 "E" Grade not should be obtained for any registered course units and even the course units for which the student was absent, will be considered 'E' grades.
- 1.8 It is compulsory to complete the course unit relevant to the students' faculty (either English for Humanities DELT 12252 or English for Social Sciences DELT 11212) offered by the DELT (Department of English Language Teaching).
- 1.9 All the above requirements should be completed within a period of a maximum of six academic years.
- 1.10 Grades below C (C-, D+, D, E) are considered failed grades.

# 2. Grade Point Average (GPA)

For the BA Honours Degree, the GPA is rounded to the approximate two decimal points and a minimum of 120 credits for which better grades obtained are counted for the GPA. At least 100 credits out of the said 120 credits should be from the compulsory course units of the main subject of the BA Honours Degree.

# 3. Awarding Class

#### 3.1 First Class

- 3.1.1 "C" or better grades should be obtained for all the registered course units.
- 3.1.2 "A" or better grades should be obtained for a minimum of 70% out of the total credits of the compulsory course units of the main subject of BA Honours Degree.
- 3.1.3 A minimum of 3.70 GPA should be obtained.
- 3.1.4 All the above requirements should be completed within a period of four academic years.

### 3.2 **Second Class (Upper Division)**

- 3.2.1 "C" or better grades should be obtained for all the registered compulsory course units.
- 3.2.2 "B" or better grades should be obtained for a minimum of 60% out of the total credits of the compulsory course units of the main subject of BA Honours Degree.
- 3.2.3 A minimum of 3.30 GPA should be obtained.
- 3.2.3 All the above requirements should be completed within a period of four academic years.

## 3.3 Second Class (Lower Division)

- 3.3.1 "C" or better grades should be obtained for all the registered course units.
- 3.3.2 "B" or better grades should be obtained for a minimum of 60% out of the total credits of the compulsory course units
- 3.3.3 A minimum of 3.00 GPA should be obtained.
- 3.3.4 All the above requirements should be completed within a period of four academic years.

# **Requirements for the Honors Degree Programme**

- 01. In the first year, "D" or better grades should be obtained for the course units of a minimum of 30 credits. A minimum of 2.30 GPA should be obtained for the relevant course units counted for the 30 credits.
- 02. "C" or better grades and a minimum of 3.00 GPA should be obtained for 10 credits of the compulsory course units of the subject chosen for the special degree.
- 03. The number of students who would pursue the BA Honours Degree will be decided by the relevant Department. The priority will be given to those who have obtained a higher GPA.
- 04. From the course units registered in Level 1, if a student receives an 'E' grade for a course unit, except for the subject applied for the BA Honours Degree, the student may be allowed to pursue the BA Honours Degree under the condition that she/he improves the grade ('D' or above) within the next year.
- 05. Those students who did not sit the examinations for course units other than the course units of the subject offered for the Honors Degree due to medical reasons, can be selected for the Honors Degree with the recommendation of the Appeals Board. Such students must obtain a 'D' or a better grade for those course units within the next year.
- 06. In case a student fails to sit the examination of course units which come under the subject she/he intends to pursue for the Honors Degree, based on the recommendation of the Appeals Board, she/he can still study for the Honours Degree with the condition that the particular course units are completed within the next year.

If the students who register for the Honours Degree under the condition mentioned in 4, 5, 6 requirements fail to fulfill the minimum requirements on the first given opportunity, those students' registration for the Honours Degree will be cancelled. Such students should register programme for the Honours Degree under the condition mentioned in 4, 5, 6 requirements fail to fulfill the minimum of the main subject of BA Honours Degree for the Honours Degree will be cancelled. Such students should register for the BA Degree in the next academic year and complete that degree programme.

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