



30.1 Accommodation

The University of Peradeniya was originally planned as a fully residential University with hostels for all undergraduates and housing for all employees. The increase in the number of the undergraduate intake in the recent years has required the University to allocate hostel facilities on a need basis. Staff housing is available on the basis of seniority in the service.

30.1.1 Student Accommodation

The University has the capacity to provide residential facilities only up to 55% of the student population. There are Fifteen Halls of Residence and two Bhikku Hostels in the University. In addition, the hostel at the Agriculture Sub-Campus at Mahailuppallama provides accommodation to the first year Agriculture students who follow practical classes for a period of six months. This Sub-Campus is located about 130 km north of Peradeniya. Presently Student Services Branch faces difficulties in providing hostel facilities to all eligible students due to lack of appropriate resources.

The day to day administration of the halls of residences is the responsibility of a full-time sub warden who is under the Warden. Wardens are appointed from the senior academics in University service. The full-time sub-warden who is also a graduate assisted by a senior academic sub-warden and several academic sub-wardens appointed on the basis of the number of students living in the facility. The responsibilities of Part-time Wardens in Halls of Residence include the overall management of the Halls, maintenance of discipline, and overseeing the welfare facilities provided to resident students and staff.

The Halls of Residence consist of study-bedrooms which are shared by the students. Student Services Branch does its best to mix the students from all Faculties to create and maintain inter-faculty interaction. The University charges Rs. 750/- for an academic year from residential students as rent. Meals are available at hall canteens and in the cafeterias located in the University Premises where food is provided by private caterers at prices fixed by the University.

Students are expected to leave the Halls of Residence during vacations. However, those who have examinations/clinical work are provided with vacation residence during the year.

30.2 Financial Aid and Student Welfare

Welfare facilities available to students include Mahapola, Bursaries, Scholarships and other forms of financial assistance. These are managed by the Student Services Branch.

30.2.1 Mahapola Scholarships

In recent years the Mahapola Scholarships have become the biggest source of assistance to students. This scholarship scheme is especially significant because of the large number of students who benefit by it and also because it is a national venture introduced by the Government of Sri Lanka. While some Mahapola Scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit, this scheme also provides financial assistance to many needy students. Mahapola Scholarships are awarded to 5,643 students of this University in 2018. The total Mahapola payment for this University in the year 2018 was Rs. 28,259,500/-

30.2.2 Bursaries

The payment of Bursaries is determined rationally on parental annual income, distance, number of dependent children in the family, etc. Rs. 35,626,600/- was paid as Bursaries to 1757 students of this University in 2018.

30.2.3 Other Scholarships/ Studentships

Scholarships are awarded to students for academic performance on a merit basis and studentships have been established to assist needy students.

30.3 Student Counseling and Discipline

The University maintains a student counseling service to assist and guide students who have problems pertaining to academic, social and personal matters. This service consists of academic experts who have very good knowledge in counseling and other social problems. Senior Student Counselors are nominated annually by the respective Faculties.

All Senior Student Counselors meet once a month and this meeting is presided over by the Chairman of Senior Student Counselors who is elected by the membership.

The Board of Discipline and Residence (BRD) and the Proctor's Office reporting to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor are directly responsible maintaining student discipline. The Proctor is assisted by nine Deputy Proctors (one for each Faculty) and the Marshal's Division headed by Chief Marshal. Similar to Student Counselors, Proctor and Deputy Proctors are appointed annually by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Deans of Faculties.

30.4 Cultural Activities

The University community participates in a wide-range of activities in the areas of culture and religion. The activities organized by student societies are generally administered by the Student Services Branch of the University.

There are several societies and associations of the students established with the approval of the University Council. They are registered at the Student Services Branch. There are 92 registered student societies in the current year to cater to the general or special interests of students with support from staff members.

Other activities of the student societies include excursions, social gatherings, lecture series and other activities of cultural interest.

30.5 Religious Activities

The University comprises a multi-religious population and many religious activities are organized by five registered societies. These societies support their own places of worship within the Campus. They are:

- The Buddhist Brotherhood Society
- The Hindu Students' Union
- The Newman Society (for Roman Catholics)
- The Student Christian Movement
- The University Muslim Majlis

30.6 Student Discipline

University takes numerous steps to maintain students' discipline within the University. The Vice-Chancellor appoints a senior academic member as the Proctor of the University to act in matters of student discipline within the University on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor also appoints a Deputy Proctor for each Faculty in consultation with the respective Faculties.

30.7 Peradeniya Student Unions and Student Societies

30.7.1 Peradeniya Student Union

According to the By-Laws made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under section 135 read with section 112 (3) of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 as amended by Act No. 07 of 1985 and 26 of 1988, the Peradeniya Students Union and all Faculty Unions were established in the Academic year 2017/2018.

30.7.2 Student Societies

92 Student Societies have been registered for the year 2017/2018.

30.8 Sports and Recreation

A full range of sports and recreation facilities is available for the staff and students. The University has a well-equipped Gymnasium, a 50m swimming pool, playing fields and grounds for all major sports and facilities of international standard for track and field events. There is also a Faculty Sports and Recreation Centre for the staff

30.8.1 Physical Education Division

The Physical Education Division is headed by a Director of Physical Education who is assisted by permanent Instructors and part-time Coaches. All decisions pertaining to the Programmes & activities of the Physical Education Division are taken by the Physical Education & Sports Advisory Committee. Some of the Sports and Physical Education Programmes of the Physical Education Division are organized together with the Students Sports Council.

There are 22 different competitive sports available at the University. Furthermore, there are 04 recreational sports available namely, kabadi, kick boxing, wushu, powerlifting & boxing. The captains & vice-captains of these sports form the Sports Council. The Sports Council includes 46 men captains & vice-captains and 30 women captains & vice-captains.

The Physical Education and Sports Advisory Committee consists of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and members of staff of the Physical Education Division, staff representatives from all Faculties and two Representatives from the Sports Council. The Vice-Chancellor heads this Committee.

30.8.2 Sports Facilities

The University has outdoor and indoor facilities for many sports. These facilities include,

1. 400 meter Cinder Track
2. 4 Tennis Courts
3. Cricket Ground
4. 02 Softball Cricket pitches
5. Practice Cricket Nets
6. Hockey Field
7. Football & Rugby Field
8. 16,000 sqft parquet floor in the Gymnasium
9. Fully equipped modern Weight Training section

10. Open Fitness Area
11. 1.2 km paved Walking path
12. 02 illuminated Outdoor Volleyball Courts
13. 02 Outdoor Netball Courts
14. 01 Outdoor Basketball court
15. 50 Meter Swimming Pool with 8 lanes

The cricket ground at the University of Peradeniya is one of the best in the Central Province. The athletic ground has a cinder track for track & field events. In addition, the University possesses grounds and other facilities for Rugby, Football, Hockey, Elle, Netball, softball cricket, Tennis, Baseball and Basketball as out-door games.

The Gymnasium which is one of the largest in Sri Lanka has a 16,000 sqft parquet floor which can accommodate many in-door sports. The Gymnasium is well equipped and has facilities for Badminton, Table Tennis, Basketball, Volleyball, Netball, Wrestling Weightlifting, powerlifting and Martial Arts. The Weight Training section has many modern types of equipment such as a number of Single- Stations, Multi-Station Machines and other weight training equipment.

The University swimming pool which has 8 lanes and is 50 metres in length is the largest in the region and is big enough to hold international competitions.

Sports facilities are freely available for students and members of the staff. Any interested school, institution, club or other sports body can use all these sports facilities on the basis of hire.

30.8.3 Annual Sports Activities and Regular Recreational Programmes

The annual Sports Programme consists of the following activities:

- Inter Faculty Freshers Programme
- Inter Faculty Programme
- Inter Hall Programme
- Inter University Championships
- South Asian University Games
- Asian University Championships
- World University Championships
- World University Games
- Sports Training Schedules
- Major Competitions
- Introduction Programmes for New Entrants
- Leadership Programmes
- Colours' Award Ceremony

- SLUSA Awards Ceremony
- Recreational Sports Programmes
- Invitational Tournaments
- Other Sports Events

The Physical Education Division organizes an Inter-Faculty Freshers' Sports Championship. It also conducts Inter-Faculty Competitions which selects athletes for the Inter-University Championships which is considered as the Major Sports Festival for University Students. Moreover, from this Inter Faculty competition, skilled players are selected for the University teams to take part in District, Provincial, and National level sports activities.

The Programme of the year concludes with the Colours' Award Ceremony. Colours and Special Awards are given for sportsmen and sportswomen who excelled in sports activities and brought credit to the University during the year.

The Physical Education Division conducts a basic course in Physical Education and sports for the first year students to help them gain knowledge in sports activities and Physical Education. Coaching Camps, Seminars and Workshops are also conducted by the Division to promote sports at the University of Peradeniya.

In addition, the Physical Education Division organizes the following Recreational Sports Programmes:

- Aerobics
- Trampoline
- Martial Arts (wushu, kick boxing, boxing)
- Staff Fitness Programme
- Runners' Club
- Weight Training for general fitness
- Kabadi

30.8.4 Sports Education

The Physical Education Division also conducts a Certificate Course in Physical Education & Sports Science. The duration of the course is 3 months.

30.9 General Services and Facilities

The general services required by the large population are provided by several service units and divisions. These include the Health Service, water and electricity supply, the telephone network, drainage, sewerage and the general maintenance of lands, buildings and furniture. The Curator is in-charge of land and landscaping and the Maintenance Department of the University, headed by the Works Engineer, attends to the service units and general maintenance.

30.9.1 University Health Service

The Health Services headed by the Chief Medical Officer deliver compressive primary health care and preventive health care covering the University community which comprises 11000 resident and non-resident students and 3100 staff and their family members.

Curative aspects of the Health Centre include a 24 hour Medical Emergency service, an out patients department (OPD) treating an average of 100 patients per day, and in ward facilities with a bed strength of 30 for in-patients. This bed strength is inclusive of two isolation rooms for those suffering from contagious diseases.

In the curative section, the services provide supplementary to medicine such as a fully equipped Medical Laboratory and a well-stocked Pharmacy.

The preventive and environment health section covers all aspects of public health including waste management with a collection route of 30 km, sewerage maintenance, vector control with priority on anti-dengue measures, general public hygiene, industrial pest control work, food hygiene, investigations of reported infectious diseases, rabies control sanitization and general environmental health work.

A staff of two permanent Medical Officers and two part-time Medical Officers, nine Staff Nursing Officers supervised by a Matron, one Medical Laboratory Technologists, three Pharmacists, eight Attendants (orderlies), one Cook, six Laborers and two Drivers carry out work at the Medical Centre whilst two Public Health Inspectors, two Health Services Supervisors, two Pest Control Labourers, twenty-two Health Services Labourers and fifteen Labourers on contract basis handle preventive health work.

30.9.2 Campus Computer Network

The Campus Network of the University of Peradeniya is the largest optical fiber LAN in the country. It was first developed from 1999 to 2001 with the support of the Swedish International Development Co-operation Agency (SIDA). An effort to upgrade the network infrastructure to increase the coverage, as well as, cater to the needs for another few decades was started in 2016, and is currently nearing its completion.

The University of Peradeniya network has started providing Wi-Fi access to all users, including students. While this facility is currently established at Faculties of Dental Sciences and Engineering, projects are under way to establish the same throughout the network.

The University of Peradeniya network also provides Eduroam facility to all @pdn.ac.lk account holders. Eduroam (education roaming) is the secure, world-wide roaming access service developed for the international research and education community. Eduroam allows

students, researchers and staff from participating institutions to obtain Internet connectivity across Campus and when visiting other participating institutions through any of their wireless enabled devices. Eduroam is available in thousands of locations across over 100 countries worldwide, from campuses to coffee shops.

The University of Peradeniya network also offers many services to the university community. Over 6 dedicated servers are employed to provide a wide range of services including electronic mail, domain name service (DNS), web proxy, file transfer, LDAP directory, learning management systems (LMS), database services and VoIP services.

All the services provided to the users use the Campus LDAP directory service whenever possible. The user therefore has only to remember account information for only one account, and can use the same account for accessing all the networking services available to him/her. The services that can be accessed using the Campus account include electronic mail, Voice Over IP (VoIP) services, Wi-Fi services, and update of personal profile and account information.

The Campus network is developed and maintained by the Network and Communication Services Unit (NCSU), located in the Faculty of Engineering. The staff of the NCSU currently includes a director (part-time) and two technicians (full-time).

More information about the Campus network and the services provided is available at the NCSU home page at <http://www.pdn.ac.lk/ncsu/>

30.9.3 Campus Telephone System

The Campus telephone system currently includes five conventional PBXes interconnected via optical fiber to form a single PBX, a server providing Voice over IP (VoIP) services, and a gateway interconnecting the PBX system to the VoIP systems. The VoIP server provides over 500 IP telephone connections.

Each extension of the Campus telephone system is assigned a 4-digit extension number, which can be dialed directly from anywhere within the system. The system also offers features such as call transfer, call waiting, conferencing, automatic call back on busy/no-answer, and call forwarding/diversion with full feature transparency between the PBX system and the VoIP system.

The Campus telephone system is connected to the public telephone network (PSTN) via a digital link which can carry 32 calls simultaneously. The connection to the PSTN also provides the Direct Inward Dialing/ Direct Outward Dialing (DID/DOD) facilities. Thus, all extensions of the campus telephone system can be dialed directly from anywhere in the world without operator assistance.

More information about the Campus telephone system and services provided is available at the NCSU home page at <http://www.pdn.ac.lk/ncsu/>

30.9.4 Landscaping Division

The total land extent of the University of Peradeniya is 774 hectares. About 250 hectares have been developed to accommodate the Faculties, the halls of residence, staff bungalows and other facilities. Considerable Landscaping has been done in the University Park which is planted with a variety of flowering trees, shade trees, clipped hedges and a large amount of lawn areas. Maintaining and keeping the said landscape in a proper manner while improving it, according to the landscape principles, is the main objective of the Landscape Division.

The Division of Landscaping is mainly responsible for the following activities:

1. Maintenance of the existing landscape of the University.
2. Maintenance of a plant nursery and providing readymade plant pots to the University functions and use the plants when implementing new Landscape University.
3. Removing hazards and endangered trees and branches to the University properties and further handling the activities of tendering of logs with General Service division and the Security Division.
4. Attending to upgrading and improving of the University landscape.
5. Preparation of new landscape plans, cost estimates for Implementation of the new Landscapes.
6. Carry out the tree planting activities and tree planting programmes
7. Providing the maximum support to all the special activities carried out by the University.
8. Activities regarding the General Convocation, Peradeniya University Research Sessions, and other special functions of the University

30.9.5 Maintenance Division

The Maintenance Division of the University is responsible for the general maintenance work of buildings, internal roads, water and electricity supply networks, the storm water drainage system and the sewage management system of the University. In addition, the Division is responsible for the rehabilitation and improve the above mentioned systems through

capital and rehabilitation projects within the University. The total land extent of the University is 774 hectares. Total Floor area of the building is 6.5 million square feet.

Currently the Maintenance Division is serving to; 9 Faculties, 3 Postgraduate Institutes, Distance Education Centre, Sub-Campus at Mahailukpallama, 3 Teaching Farms at Dodamgolla and Mawalawatta, 29 student hostels including 5 hostels at MI Sub-Campus, Senate Building, University Holiday Bungalows, University Temples, Mosque and Churches, Central Library, Gymnasium, swimming pool and play grounds, etc.

The Maintenance Division is operationally divided into 4 sub Divisions, (i) General Maintenance and Construction Division, (ii) Electrical work Division, (iii) Design and Estimate Division, (iv) Administration and Monitoring Division. The General Maintenance and Construction Division is operationally divided into 6 Zones and 8 Units considering the nature of services. At present there are 224 permanent staff members, including the Works Engineer, working in the Division to provide the above services with the additional strength of 3 contractually appointed Engineers and 10 hired sanitary labourers.

30.9.6 Other Services

The University maintains canteens in the halls of residence and Faculties. There are also several canteens in centrally located places in the Campus. The University provides a variety of facilities such as free water, electricity, and kitchen utensils to the canteens so that a quality meal could be provided to the students for a very low price. The Student Centre houses a bookshop, tailor's shop, barber saloon, Sub-Post Office and a Cooperative Shop. The Peoples Bank and the Bank of Ceylon maintain branches in the new extension to the Senate building while the main branches of the banks and the main post office are located closer to the Campus. The bookshops at the Student Centre and that in the Faculty of Science are maintained by the World University Service. The University provides photocopying facilities to the students with comparatively low rate by maintaining 12 photocopy centers within the University. The General Service Division ensures the provision of these services to the students and staff of the University year around.

The University maintains three guesthouses, which cater the accommodation needs of visiting staff. The 'Upper Hantana Guest House' and the Galbangalawa Guest House", which were formerly University staff quarters but commissioned as guest houses in 1994, have 05 and 08 guest rooms respectively. The Upper Hanthana Guest House is located in the top of the mountain, a half way through the Hanthana mountain range, covered by the shades of large trees and the mist around. The Gal Bangalawa is also a colonial type Bangalow situated in a very recreational place in Mahakanda. The other is 'Lady Hill', which was formerly a tourist hotel, offers accommodation for internal staff and for special guests and other distinguished persons visiting the University. This guesthouse has facilities such as a common room, a bar, a large dining hall for about 200 people, swimming pool and a lounge

where official functions can be organized. It is situated in the village of Dangolla, about 1.2 km from the main University Campus. Other than that, there are 413 staff quarters provided to the permanent staff of the University that are managed by the General Services Division along with securing 774 hectares of University land. Apart from the above facilities, the General Services Division ensures the supply of basic needs such as save water, electricity, telephone and internet and network to the University uninterruptedly to halls of residents and other service centers in the University.

There are several co-operatives and other shops which are conveniently located in the Campus which cater to the general needs of the entire University community while the Peradeniya town and the city of Kandy are the main shopping centres. In addition, a fruit and vegetable stall and a farm shop are also housed at the Faculty of Agriculture and also a milk bar is operated close to the New Arts Building, Faculty of Arts.



BY-LAWS RELATING TO STUDENTS

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31.1 Student Discipline

Given below are the By-Laws made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under Section 29 (n) read with Section 135(1) (d) of the University Act No.16 of 1978 as amended by Acts No. 7 of 1985 and No. 26 of 1988.

By-Laws

Part I – General

1. These By-laws may be cited as the “By-laws, No. 01 of 1996, relating to Students Discipline” and shall come into operation on 26th October 1996. These By-laws supersede any other By-laws or Regulations that may have been issued to students earlier.
2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the provisions of these By-laws, the Vice-Chancellor shall take appropriate action he deems necessary to maintain discipline at the University and nothing in these By-laws shall be construed in a manner to detract from the powers, duties and functions conferred on or imposed upon the Vice-Chancellor by the Universities Act No.16 of 1978 (hereinafter referred to as the “Act”) or by any other Instrument.
3. (1) Upon coming into operation of these By-laws, there shall be established a Board of Discipline (referred to as the “Board”) constituted as provided in Sub-paragraph (2).

(2) The Board of Discipline shall consist of the following Members, who shall hold office for a period of 03 (three) years with effect from the date of appointment:
 - i. The Dean of each Faculty,
 - ii. A Proctor, if any, or a Deputy Proctor nominated by the Proctor,
 - iii. Two Wardens nominated by the Vice-Chancellor,
 - iv. Two members of the Council nominated by the Council, from among its appointed members,
 - v. Two senior Student Counselors nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.
- (3) The Registrar or his nominee shall be the ex-officio Secretary of the Board.

- (4) The Chairman of the Board shall be elected by the members from among the Deans and he shall preside at all meetings of the Board. If the Chairman is unable to preside at a meeting the members shall elect any Dean to preside at such meeting.
 - (5) The Chairman shall hold office for a period of one year reckoned from the date of his election so long as he retains the status of membership by virtue of which he was eligible for election as the Chairman of the Board and is eligible for re-election.
 - (6) The quorum for the meeting of the Board shall be seven members.
4. Subject to the provisions of the Act, and of any other appropriate Instrument, the Board shall have the following powers, duties and functions:
- (1) To regulate and determine all matters concerning the maintenance of student discipline within the University,
 - (2) To make Rules pertaining to student discipline within the University,
 - (3) To hold inquiries or cause inquiries to be held pertaining to allegations of indiscipline or misconduct on the part of any student or students of the University,
 - (4) The Vice-Chancellor may appoint a Committee of Inquiry to inquire into an incident where he thinks it appropriate in the circumstances and the Board of Discipline shall consider such reports made by such a Committee and recommend appropriate action.
 - (5) To impose appropriate penalties or punishments, on any student or students who have been found guilty of any acts of indiscipline or misconduct or who have been found guilty of an offense under these By-laws or, of acting in contravention of the provisions of these By-laws or the Rules made by the Board,
 - (6) To do all other acts incidental to the powers aforesaid as may be required in order to further the objectives of these By-laws.

Part II

1. Without prejudice to the generality of the powers, duties and functions conferred upon or imposed on the Council by the Act or any other Instrument, the Council shall be responsible for the administration and implementation of these By-laws.
2. (1) These By-laws shall apply to every Registered Student of the University of Peradeniya (hereinafter referred to as the "University").
 - (2) (i) For the purpose of these By-laws "Registered Student" means any

student who has already been duly admitted and registered at the University for any academic year or any student who is duly admitted and registered from time to time in respect of any Academic year, or, other period of study.

- (ii) "Academic Year" for the purpose of these By-Laws, shall be construed to mean the academic year as decided by the Senate from time to time.
- (3) (i) Every student of the University shall be of good behaviour and shall at all times conduct himself in an orderly manner befitting the status of an undergraduate or graduate student.
- (ii) Students of the University shall at all times endeavour to safeguard the dignity, good name and reputation of the University.
3. Students are admitted and registered as undergraduates or graduate students of the University, subject to their good behaviour and the observance of strict discipline.
4. Each and every student duly registered as a student of the University shall be issued with a copy of these By-laws, the provisions of which will be binding on him in conformity with the declaration made by him in terms of Section 17(b) of the application for University admission submitted by him to the University Grants Commission.
5. Upon the receipt of an application on the prescribed form for registration as a student of the University, together with such documents as may be necessary for this purpose, the Registrar or such other officer as may be nominated by him for this purpose shall register such student and shall issue to the student so registered an Identity Card and a Students' Record Book bearing the photograph of the student concerned duly embossed with the seal of the University which shall be final and conclusive evidence pertaining to the Identity of the student and also to the accuracy of the particulars stated there in.
6. Every registered student of the University shall have in his possession either such Identity Card or Students' Record Book, which he shall produce when called upon to do so by a member of the academic staff or by any officer authorized by the Vice-Chancellor or Registrar for this purpose.
7. If any registered student shall fail to produce or willfully refuses to produce or neglects to produce such Identity Card or Students' Record Book when called upon to do so by an authorized officer of the University, such student shall be deemed to be guilty of an offense punishable under these By-laws.

8. In the event of the failure or the refusal to produce such Identity Card or Students' Record Book to any member of the academic staff or an authorized officer, such officer shall have the power to take such student into custody and to produce him before the Dean of the respective Faculty or Warden of the respective Hall of Residence of such student if he claims to be residing in a Hall of Residence for identification. In the event of such student not being a resident of a Hall of Residence, such student may be produced before the Marshal/Chief Security Officer, who shall report him to the Proctor for appropriate action.
9. The particulars stated in the Identity Card or Students' Record Book shall be deemed to contain prima facie evidence of the status of the student and shall be in the manner prescribed in Schedule I of these By-laws.
10.
 - (1) The Dean of each Faculty of the University shall have full power and authority to exercise supervisory control over the discipline of all students within the Faculty.
 - (2) The Vice-Chancellor may appoint a senior academic member as the Proctor of the University and he shall act on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor in matters of student discipline within the University. The Vice-Chancellor may delegate any of his powers and duties regarding student discipline within the University to the Proctor.
 - (3) The Vice-Chancellor may, in consultation with the Dean and the Proctor, appoint a member of the academic staff of each Faculty as the Deputy Proctor for such Faculty. The first Deputy Proctor may be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Dean of the respective Faculty.
 - (4) A Deputy Proctor shall assist the Dean and the Proctor in matters of student discipline within the Faculty.
 - (5) A Deputy Proctor shall also assist the Proctor in his functions as Proctor in matters of student discipline within the University.
11. For the purpose of exercising the powers conferred upon the Dean by the preceding paragraph, the Dean may issue from time to time instructions as he deems necessary for the maintenance of discipline in his Faculty.
12. Where the Dean of a Faculty of the University is satisfied that there is a likelihood of the breakdown of the smooth functioning of his Faculty due to the disorderly behaviour or conduct on the part of a student or students, the Dean may take immediate remedial measures with the assistance of the Proctor and his Deputies to prevent a breakdown of the functioning of the Faculty by -
 - (i) Reprimanding such student or students for disorderly behaviour, or
 - (ii) Suspension of such student or students from the University or from attending lectures/courses, etc., for a period not exceeding two weeks.

- (iii) Reporting to the Vice-Chancellor for action such behaviour of a student or students where a Dean is of the opinion that the incident is of such nature that it requires the intervention of the University authorities for appropriate action under the By-laws of the University.
13. The Dean shall report to the Vice-Chancellor and the Proctor any disciplinary action taken by the Dean under these By-laws.
 14. Upon coming into operation of these By-Laws the University shall have full power and authority to consider and assess the conduct of each student in determining the eligibility of such student for the conferment on him of the degree, diploma, certificate or other academic distinctions.
 15. Every registered student shall be bound to protect and safeguard the property of the University. "Property" for this purpose includes buildings, libraries, lecture halls, furniture, equipment, and all other movable and immovable assets of the University.
 16. If in the event of any student being found guilty of damaging or destroying or attempting to damage or destroy the property of the University, he shall be deemed to have committed an offense and shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws.
 17. Every student shall endeavour to foster a corporate and community spirit of life and shall always respect the liberty, freedom and personality of fellow students.
 18. No student shall engage in anti-social actions or in any act calculated to humiliate, ridicule, hurt or harass a fellow student or any other person within the University or engage in any other anti-social conduct which may bring the University to disrepute.
 19. No student shall incite provoke or aid and abet any other student in the commission of any of the acts specified herein before.
 20. Any student who acts in violation of paragraphs 6(3)(a) & (b) and 21 to 24 of these By-Laws shall be guilty of an offense punishable under the provisions of these By-Laws.
 21. (1) No meeting may be held within the University premises by any student or students, University Union or society, or other association of students of the University, except with the written approval of the Proctor. The Dean of the Faculty may permit the holding of a meeting of the Faculty students, Faculty Unit or Society where it is restricted to the students of such Faculty.

- (2) Where the approval of the Dean/Proctor, as the case may be, has been so granted subject to such terms and conditions relating to the venue and date of such meeting and its duration and any other matter as may be deemed to be necessary in the circumstances, the meeting must be held in conformity with all such terms and conditions.
- (3) Any student who summons or causes the holding of a meeting other than in the manner prescribed in the foregoing paragraph or aids and abets any other person to summon or hold such meeting, shall be guilty of an offense and shall be liable for punishment, under the provisions of these By-Laws.
- (4) (i) Unless the prior written consent of the Vice-Chancellor has been obtained, no subscription or currency may be collected from among the students, staff of the University or the general public by any student or office-bearer of any union, society or association.
- (ii) Provided, however, that the provision of this paragraph shall not apply to a subscription collected by a registered union, society or association in accordance with its Constitution or any By-Laws made in terms of section 115(2) of the Act.
22. (1) No notice, pamphlet, publication or other printed material detrimental to the good name and discipline of the University, words defamatory of any member of the staff or student of the University, may be published and/or distributed, circulated or exhibited in any Hall of Residence, Lecture Hall/Room, Laboratory or on any other building or any other property standing on the premises of the University within its territorial boundaries.
- Provided however that the provision of this paragraph shall not apply to notices, pamphlets, publications and printed material relating to the activities of any registered Students' Union, Society or other Association established and recognized under section 115 of the Act and intended solely for the furthering of academic or social objectives.
- Provided that such material shall not be detrimental to the good name and discipline of the University, or any member of the staff or student of the University.
- (2) Any note, pamphlet, bulletin published should contain the signature of the President or the Secretary of such Organization.
23. The Board of Discipline may for any breach of these By-Laws or for any offense punishable under the provisions of these By-Laws by any registered student, recommend to the Vice-Chancellor the imposing on him of any one or more of the following punishments:
- (1) A written warning or a severe reprimand;

- (2) Suspension from the University;
 - (3) Withdrawal of residential facilities and accommodation;
 - (4) Withdrawal, cancellation or suspension of any financial benefits, assistance or award under the Mahapola Scholarship Scheme, any Bursary Scheme or endowed Scholarship Scheme;
 - (5) Disqualification from sitting any University Examination for a specific period;
 - (6) Suspension of the release of the results of any University Examination for a specific period;
 - (7) Expulsion from the University.
- 24.
- (1) The Board of Discipline or allied Committee of Inquiry appointed by the Board or the Vice-Chancellor for purposes set out in paragraph 4(iii) or 4(iv) shall have the power to summon any student of the University, to attend any Inquiry or to give evidence thereat and to direct any student to make a written statement concerning any matter pertaining to his conduct or behaviour or to the conduct or behaviour of any other student within the University.
 - (2) Such Committee of Inquiry shall conduct such inquiries in accordance with the rules of natural justice as far as possible.
 - (3) Before the commencement of such inquiry, every accused student shall be informed of the charge or charges against him to be tried at the inquiry before the Committee of Inquiry.
 - (4) An accused student shall be allowed to be present either in person or with a representative of the Peradeniya Students' Union or the respective Faculty Students' Union, at the inquiry, and may also be allowed to suggest to the Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry any questions that may be put to any person who testifies before the Committee of Inquiry.
 - (5) The Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry may at his discretion put to the witness such questions suggested by or on behalf of the accused student.
 - (6) Under exceptional circumstances the Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry may allow the witnesses to give evidence recorded in camera.
- 25.
- (1) Upon the declaration of an order of closure of the University by the University authorities every student of the University shall be bound to act in accordance with this Order and shall leave the University premises before the stipulated time specified in such Order.
 - (2) Any student who acts in contravention of the provisions of the foregoing paragraph shall be deemed to have committed an offense and shall be liable to be punished in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws.
- 26.
- (1) Any student on whom a punishment has been imposed by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Board of Discipline and who is aggrieved by the decision of the Board regarding the punishment may within a period of one

month from the date of communication to him of such punishment or penalty, appeal against such punishment or penalty to the Vice-Chancellor.

- (2) Upon the receipt of an appeal, the Vice-Chancellor shall refer such appeal to an Appeals Committee appointed by him.
 - (3) The Appeals Committee, for the purposes of the above paragraph, shall consist of three persons of legal/academic eminence appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The Appeals Committee shall have the power to review the decision of the Board of Discipline regarding the punishment imposed and may either affirm, vary or set aside the decision regarding the punishment.
- 27.
- (1) It would be the duty of a Warden of a Hall of Residence to impose discipline among the students of the Hall of Residence and act in consultation with the Proctor regarding matters pertaining to student discipline in the Hall of Residence.
 - (2) A Warden of a Hall of Residence shall inquire into complaints of breach of discipline and take appropriate action by himself where the act of indiscipline is not of a serious nature and may impose any of the following punishments:
 - (i) Suspension from the Hall of Residence for a period not exceeding two weeks;
 - (ii) Written warning.
 - (3) In every case in which a Warden acts under the above provisions, he shall submit a report to the Proctor and shall act in consultation with the Proctor. Where the Proctor is of the view that the breach of discipline is of such nature that it calls for his intervention, he may act in the manner laid down in these By-laws.
 - (4) Any student who is aggrieved by the punishment imposed by a Warden shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor forthwith, and the Vice-Chancellor shall instruct the Proctor to conduct a formal inquiry where he considers it desirable, depending on the nature of the incident.
- 28.
- (1) The Dean of a Faculty shall impose discipline among the students of the Faculty and shall act in consultation with the Proctor and Deputy Proctor of the Faculty regarding matters pertaining to student discipline in his Faculty.
 - (2) The Dean of a Faculty shall inquire into complaints of a breach of discipline and take appropriate action by himself where the act of indiscipline is of such a nature that it could be adequately dealt with by imposing any of the following punishments:
 - (i) Suspension from academic activities for a period not exceeding two weeks;
 - (ii) A written warning.
 - (3) In every case in which a Dean acts under the above provisions, he shall submit a report to the Proctor.

- (4) Any student who is aggrieved by the punishments imposed by a Dean of a Faculty shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor who may review the punishment and/or order the conduct of a formal inquiry where he considers it desirable, depending on the nature of the incident.
29. (1) Subject to the provisions of the Universities Act and other Statutes of the University, the Proctor shall be the authority in charge of the maintenance of discipline among the students of the University.
- (2) In discharging the above duties, he shall act in consultation with the Vice - Chancellor and with the assistance of the Deputy Proctors.
- (3) The Proctor shall inquire into complaints of breach of discipline in the University and take appropriate action.
- (4) Where the incident of indiscipline is of such a nature that it can be adequately dealt with by the imposition of the following punishments, he may act by himself:
- (i) Suspending from the University for a period not exceeding 05 weeks;
- (ii) A written warning.
- (5) In every case in which the Proctor acts under these provisions, he shall submit a report to the Vice-Chancellor.
- (6) Any student who is aggrieved by the punishment imposed by the Proctor shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor forthwith and the Vice-Chancellor may review the punishment and/or order a formal inquiry where he considers it desirable.
- (7) In cases in which incidents of indiscipline are reported, the Proctor shall conduct a preliminary inquiry and submit his observations to the Vice-Chancellor for appropriate action under these By-laws.
30. (1) A Deputy Proctor of a Faculty shall assist the Dean of the Faculty to maintain and impose discipline among students of the Faculty and shall report to the Dean regarding such matters.
- (2) A Deputy Proctor shall also assist the Proctor in the maintenance of discipline among the students of the University.

31.2 Prohibition of Ragging and other forms of Violence

The Act to Eliminate Ragging and Other Forms of Violence, and Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment, from Educational Institutions (Prohibition of Ragging and other Forms of Violence in Educational Institutions Act, No. 20 of 1998)

Be it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic, Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows: -

Short Title

1. This Act may be cited as the Prohibition of Ragging and Other Forms of Violence in Educational Institutions Act, No. 20 of 1998.

Ragging

2. (1) Any person who commits, or participates in, Ragging, within or outside an educational institution, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years and may also be ordered to pay compensation of an amount determined by court, to the person in respect of whom the offence was committed for the injuries caused to such person.

Ragging

- (2) A person who, whilst committing ragging, causes sexual harassment or grievous hurt to any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years and may also be ordered to pay compensation of an amount determined by court, to the person in respect of whom the offence was committed for the injuries caused to such person.

Criminal Intimidation

3. Any person who, within or outside an educational institution, threatens, verbally or in writing, to cause injury to the person, reputation or property of any student or a member of the staff, of an educational institution (in this section referred to as “the victim”) or to the person, reputation or property of some other person in whom the victim is interested, with the intention of causing fear in the victim or of compelling the victim to do any act which the victim is not legally required to do, or to omit to do any act which the victim is entitled to do, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.

Hostage Taking

4. Any person who does any act, by which the personal liberty and the freedom of movement of any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution or other person within such educational institution or any premises under the management and control of such educational institution, is restrained without lawful justification and for the purpose of forcing such student, member of the staff or person to take a particular course of action, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate, be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Wrongful Restraint

5. Any person who unlawfully obstructs any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution, in such a manner as to prevent such student or member of the staff from proceeding in any direction in which such student or member of the staff has a right to proceed, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Unlawful Confinement

6. Any person who unlawfully restrains any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution in such a manner as to prevent such student or member of the staff from proceeding beyond certain circumscribing limits, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Forcible Occupation and Damage to Property of an Educational Institution

7. (1) Any person who, without lawful excuse, occupies, by force, any premises of, or under the management or control of, an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act, and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or to a fine not exceeding ten thousand rupees or to both such imprisonment and fine.

(2) Any person who causes mischief in respect of any property of, or under the management or control of, an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty years and a fine of five thousand rupees or three times the amount of the loss or damage caused to such property, whichever amount is higher.

Orders of Expulsion or Dismissal

8. Where a person is convicted of an offence under this Act, the court may, having regard to the gravity of the offence -
- (1) in any case where the person convicted is a student of an educational institution, order that such person be expelled from such institution;
 - (2) in any case where the person convicted is a member of the staff of an educational institution, order that such person be dismissed from such educational institution.

Bail

9. (1) A person suspected or accused of committing an offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act shall not be released on bail except by the judge of a High Court established by Article 154P of the Constitution. In exercising his discretion to grant bail such Judge shall have regard to the provisions of section 14 of the Bail Act No. 30 of 1997.
- (2) Where a person is convicted of an offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act, and an appeal is preferred against such conviction, the Court convicting such person may, taking into consideration the gravity of the offence and the antecedents of the person convicted, either release or refuse to release, such person on bail.

Certain provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure Act not to apply to persons convicted or found guilty of an offence under this Act

10. Notwithstanding anything in the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, No, 15 of 1979-
- (1) the provisions of section 303 of that Act shall not apply in the case of any person who is convicted,
 - (2) the provisions of section 306 of that Act shall not apply in the case of any person who pleads or is found guilty, by or before any court of any offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act.

Offences under this Act deemed to be cognizable offences

11. All offences under this Act shall be deemed to be cognizable offences for the purposes of the application of the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, No.15 of 1979, notwithstanding anything contained in the First Schedule to that Act.

Certificate

12. Where in any prosecution for an offence under this Act, a question arises whether any person is a student or a member of the staff of an educational institution or whether any premises or property is the property of, or is under the management

and control of, an educational institution a certificate purporting to be under the hand of the head or other officer of such educational institution to the effect that the person named therein is a student or a member of the staff of such educational institution, or that the premises or property specified therein is the property of, or is under the management and control of, such educational institution, shall be admissible in evidence without proof of signature and shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein.

Admissibility of Statement in Evidence

13. (1) If in the course of a trial for an offence under this Act, any witness shall on any material point contradict either expressly or by necessary implication a statement previously given by him in the course of any investigation into such offence, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate if, after due inquiry into the circumstances in which the statement was made, he considers it safe and just –

- (i) to act upon the statement given by the witness in the course of the investigation, if such statement is corroborated in material particulars by evidence from an independent source; and
- (ii) to have such witness at the conclusion of such trial, tried before such court upon a charge for intentionally giving false evidence in a stage of a judicial proceeding.

(2) At any trial under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) it shall be sufficient to prove that the accused made the contradictory statements alleged in the charge and it shall not be necessary to prove which of such statements is false.

Provisions of this Act to be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of the Penal Code and C.

14. The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the provisions of the Penal Code, the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment Act, No.22 of 1994 or any other law.

Priority for Trials and appeals under this Act

15. Every Court shall give priority to the trial of any person charged with any offence under this Act and to the hearing of any appeal from the conviction of any person for any such offence and any sentence imposed on such conviction.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency

16. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

Interpretation

17. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires –

“criminal force”, “fear”, “force”, “grievous hurt”, “hurt” and “mischief” shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Penal Code;

“educational institution” means –

- (a) a Higher Educational Institution;
- (b) any other Institution recognized under Chapter IV of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978;
- (c) The Buddhist and Pali University established by the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka Act, No.74 of 1981;
- (d) The Buddha Sravaka Bhikku University, established by the Buddha Sravaka Bhikku University Act. No. 26 of 1996:
- (e) any Institute registered under section 14 of the Tertiary and Vocational Education Act, No. 20 of 1990;
- (f) any Advanced Technical Institute established under the Sri Lanka Institute of Technical Education Act, No. 29 of 1995;
- (g) a Pirivena registered under the Pirivena Education Act, No. 64 of 1979 and receiving grants from State Funds and includes a Pirivena Training Institute established under that Act;
- (h) the Sri Lanka Law College;
- (l) the National Institute of Education established by the National Institute of Education Act, No. 28 of 1985;
- (j) a College of Education established by the College of Education Act No. 30 of 1986, or a Government Training College;
- (k) a Government School or an assisted school or an unaided school, within the meaning of the Education Ordinance (Chapter 185);

and includes any other institution established for the purpose of providing education, instruction or training;

“head of an educational institution”, means the Vice-Chancellor, Mahopadyaya, Director, President, Principal or any other person howsoever designated charged with the administration and management of the affairs of such educational institution:

“Higher Educational Institution” has the meaning assigned to it in the Universities Act. No. 16 of 1978;

“Ragging” means any act which causes or is likely to cause physical or psychological injury or mental pain or fear to a student or a member of the staff of an educational institution;

“Student” means a student of an educational institution;

“Sexual harassment” means the use of criminal force, words or actions to cause sexual annoyance or harassment to a student or a member of the staff, of an educational institution;

31.3 University Students Union and Faculty Students Union

PART I

A By-Law made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under Section 135 read with Section 112(3) of the Universities Act No.16 of 1978 as amended by Acts No.7 of 1985 and No.26 of 1988.

1. This By-law shall be cited as the University Students Union By-law No.1 of 2003 and shall come into operation on 01st July 2003. This By-law supersedes any other By-law or Regulation that may have been issued on the subject of election to students unions earlier.
2. Nothing in this By-law shall be construed in a manner to detract from the power, duties and functions conferred on or imposed upon the Principal Executive officer by the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 (as amended) hereinafter referred to as the Act, or by any other Instrument.
3.
 - (i) Upon the coming into operation of this By-law there shall be established a Peradeniya University Students Union and Faculty Students Unions as per the terms provided for in sub-paragraph 3(ii) and 3(iii) of this By-law.
 - (ii) The Peradeniya University Students Union shall derive its authority for its composition, duties and functions as provided for in Section 1(1), 1(2), Section 2 and Section 3 in the schedule to the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 26 of 1988.
 - (iii) There shall be a University of Peradeniya Faculty Students Union for each Faculty of the University of Peradeniya, which Unions will derive their authority for their composition, duties and functions as provided for in Section 6(1), 6(2), 6(3) and Section 7 in the schedule to the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 26 of 1988.

PART II

4. Without prejudice to the generality of the powers, duties and functions conferred upon or imposed on the Governing Authority of the University of Peradeniya by the "Act", or any other Instrument, the Council shall be responsible for the administration and implementation of this By-law.
5. No student of a Faculty shall be eligible to vote at an election
 - (i) unless he has been duly registered and admitted as a full-time undergraduate student and is following a course of study in the relevant Faculty in respect of the academic year in which the election is held;

- (ii) if he is under suspension from Faculty and/or University;
 - (iii) if he fails to establish his identity at the time of voting.
6. For the purpose of this By-law, "Registered Student" means any undergraduate Student who has already been registered and admitted to a course of study at the University for any academic year or any student who is duly admitted and registered from time to time to follow a course of study in respect of any academic year, or other period of study.
7. (i) Within seven days of the commencement of each academic year the Registrar of the University shall publish within the University a notice containing;
- (a) the name of each Faculty Students Union;
 - (b) the title of the office-bearers and the number of other members to be elected to each such Faculty Students Union;
 - (c) the names and registration numbers of students who are eligible to vote at an election of office bearers and other members to each such Faculty Student Union.
8. The Principal Executive Officer of the University shall nominate in respect of the election of office bearers and other members to each Faculty Students Union, the name and designation of a person to conduct such election (hereinafter referred to as the "Election Officer"). The Election Officer may co-opt any person or persons to assist him in this task.
9. (i) The Principal Executive Officer of the University shall fix in respect of each Faculty Students Union, a date, closing time and venue for the receipt of Nominations by the Election Officer for the election of office bearers and other members for that Faculty Students Union. Such date shall be a date after the expiry of eight days but prior to the expiry of fourteen days from the date of publication of the Notice under section 7(1) of this By-law.
- (ii) The Registrar of the University shall publish within the University the date, time and venue fixed for the receipt of nominations in respect of each Faculty Students' Union.
10. (I) Every registered undergraduate student who is eligible to vote at an election of the Faculty Students Union will be eligible to be nominated as a candidate for election of office bearers or members of that Faculty Students Union. Provided, however, no student shall be eligible to be nominated as a candidate for election of office bearer or member of a Faculty Students Union, if he has been found guilty of misconduct.

- (ii) Proposers and seconders should be registered students of the Faculty to which they will be nominating a candidate.
 - (iii) No student will be eligible to be nominated for more than one post or by more than one proposer or seconder at any given election.
 - (iv) Nominations will be on a form given in schedule one (01) of this By-law. Nominations should be accompanied by name and student registration number of the proposer and seconder, and should be signed by the nominee in token of his agreement to stand for election.
 - (v) Nominations so received will be displayed by the Election Officer on the Faculty notice board on the day following receipt of nominations.
 - (vi) Any objections to persons nominated should be submitted to the Election Officer by any registered student of that Faculty prior to the expiration of one day after the displaying of nominations, giving valid reasons for such objections. The decision whether a nomination is valid or not will be made by the Principal Executive Officer and such decision shall be final.
11. Where no nominations have been received, the Principal Executive Officer shall fix in respect of such Faculty Students Union, a fresh date, time and venue for the receipt of nominations.
12. (i) The Principal Executive Officer of the University shall fix in respect of each Faculty Students Union a date for the election of office bearers and other members to such Faculty Students Union. Such date shall be a date falling within fourteen days of the date on which nominations were received in respect of that Faculty Students Union.
- (ii) The Registrar of the University shall publish within the University, the date, time and venue fixed for the election of office bearers and other members in respect of each Faculty Students Union.
- (iii) The Election Officer shall conduct the election by secret ballot. For an election to be valid 50% or more of the eligible voters should cast their votes.
13. Each candidate contesting the election of a Faculty Students Union may appoint two students as polling agents to represent him at the venue of election during the taking of the poll and the count. Notice in writing of every such appointment stating the names and registration numbers of the students appointed shall be given by the candidate to the Election Officer before the opening of the poll.
- Provided, however, that only one polling agent of a candidate can be present at the venue of election at any time during the taking of the poll, or the count.
14. (i) Every registered student who is eligible to vote at an election of a Faculty students Union shall be entitled to vote for a candidate for each office and for

such number of candidates for membership as is equivalent to the number of members to be elected to such Faculty Students Union as specified in the schedule to the Amendment Act. No.26 of 1988.

- (ii) Where the number of votes cast at an election is less than 50% of the eligible votes, the Election Officer shall declare such election as invalid.
 - (iii) Where only one nomination has been received and accepted in respect of such post, the Election Officer shall declare elected the candidate so nominated to the respective post.
 - (iv) Where 02 or more nomination papers have been received in respect of each post the Election Officer shall declare elected the candidate who polls the highest number of votes.
 - (v) The Election Officer shall declare elected as members the candidates who poll the most number of votes in descending order until the number of candidates declared elected as members shall be equivalent to the number for membership for each Faculty.
 - (vi) Where equality is found to exist between the votes polled by two or more candidates for election of an officer bearer or member the determination of the office bearer/member to be elected shall be made by a draw of lots.
 - (vii) At the conclusion of the election of office bearers, the Faculty Students Union shall nominate, with the concurrence of the Dean of the Faculty, a senior teacher of the Faculty to be appointed by the Principal Executive Officer of the University as the Senior Treasurer of the Faculty Students Union.
15. (i) Each office bearer or member of a Faculty Students Union shall hold office from the date of his election up to the end of the academic year in which he was elected.
Provided, however, that the Council shall have the discretionary power to Extend the period of office of such office bearer or member.
- (ii) No student shall be eligible for re-election to the same office.
 - (iii) If any office bearer or member:
 - (a) ceases to be a student; or
 - (b) resigns office by writing under his hand addressed to the Senior Treasure, or
 - (c) is found guilty of misconduct, his office shall be deemed to be vacant.
 - (iv) Where the post of an office bearer/member of a Faculty Students Union falls vacant, the Election Officer shall, as determined by the Principal Executive Office in accordance with the earlier provisions of this By-law, initiate Action for the holding of an election to elect a person to fill such vacancy. The person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of Office of his predecessor.

16. (i) The duties and functions of the President of the Faculty Students Union shall be:
- (a) to preside at all meetings of the Faculty Students Union;
 - (b) to carry out the decisions of the Faculty Students Union; and
 - (c) to call meetings of the Faculty Students Union.
- (ii) The duties and functions of the Vice-President of the Faculty Students Union shall be:
- (a) to preside at any meeting of the Faculty Students Union in the absence of the President;
 - (b) to assist the President in the discharge of his duties; and
 - (c) to carry out any other duty or function assigned to him by the Faculty Students' Union.
- (iii) The duties and functions of the Secretary of the Faculty Students Union shall be:
- (a) to keep records of all proceedings of the Faculty Students Union;
 - (b) to summon meetings of the Faculty Students Union on the Instructions of the President or upon the receipt by the Secretary of a written request, from not less than one third of the total membership of the Faculty Students Union;
 - (c) to ensure that a copy of the minutes of the proceedings are forwarded to the Dean of the Faculty; and
 - (d) to ensure that minutes of the proceedings are available for inspection by any student of the Faculty.
- (iv) The duties and functions of the Junior Treasurer of the Faculty Students Union shall be:
- (a) to have custody of the funds of the Faculty Students Union;
 - (b) To ensure that all income and expenditure are properly recorded for in the books kept for this purpose, subject to any rules pertaining to maintenance of such accounts.
 - (c) To inform the Senior Treasurer within one week of the receipt of any money by the Faculty Students Union, of such receipt;
 - (d) To make payments out of the funds of the Faculty Students Union with the approval of the Senior Treasurer;
 - (e) To prepare a budget for the academic year after consultation with the office bearers of the Faculty Students Union within one month from the date of election of its office bearers;
 - (f) When necessary, to prepare supplementary estimates;
 - (g) To submit to the Faculty Students Union a report on its current and projected financial position as at the last day of each term within one month of the end of that term; and
 - (h) to submit to the Auditor through the Senior Treasurer, a statement of income and expenditure and the balance sheet of the Faculty Students Union for the academic year within two weeks of the end of the academic year in which the Faculty Students Union was elected.

PART III

17. (i) The Principal Executive Officer Shall arrange a date for the holding of the first meeting of the University Students Union wherein all the members of the Faculty Students Unions shall elect the office bearers of the University Students Union.
Such date shall be a date falling within two weeks of the conclusion of the election of office bearers and other members to all the Faculty Students Unions in terms of the relevant Sections of Part 11 of this By-law.
- (ii) For the purpose of this meeting the Principal Executive Officer shall nominate a senior member of the University as the Returning Officer to conduct the election of office-bearers by secret ballot. He shall preside at the meeting and take all necessary action for the smooth conduct of the election.
- (iii) At the conclusion of the election of office bearers, the University Students Union shall nominate a senior teacher to be appointed by the Principal Executive Officer of the University as the Senior Treasurer of the University Students Union.
- (iv) The Returning Officer shall submit a report on the above election to the Principal Executive Officer.
18. (i) Each office-bearer of the University Students Union shall hold office from the date of his election up to the end of the academic year in which he was elected. Provided, however, that the council shall have the discretionary power to extend the period of office of such office bearer or member.
- (ii) No member shall be eligible for re-election to the same office.
- (iii) If any office-bearer
- (a) ceases to be a student; or
 - (b) resigns office by writing under his hand addressed to the Senior Treasurer; or
 - (c) is found guilty of misconduct his office shall be deemed to be vacant.
- (iv) Where an office of the University Students Union falls vacant, the Returning Officer shall, as determined by the Principal Executive Officer of the University, initiate action for the holding of an election to elect an office bearer. The Person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of his predecessor.
19. (i) The duties and functions of the President of the University Students Union shall be
- (a) to preside at all meetings of the University Students Union;
 - (b) to carry out the decisions of the University Students Union; and
 - (c) to call meetings of the University Students Union.

- (ii) The duties and functions of the Vice-President of the University Students union shall be
 - (a) to preside at any meeting of the University Students Union in the absence of the President;
 - (b) to assist the President in the discharge of his duties; and
 - (c) to carry out any other duty or function assigned to him by the University Students Union.
- (iii) The duties and functions of the Secretary of the University Students Union shall be
 - (a) to keep records of all proceedings of the University Students Union:
 - (b) to summon meeting of the University Students Union on the instructions of the President or upon the receipt by the Secretary of a written request, from not less than one third of the total membership of the University Students Union.
 - (c) To ensure that a copy of the minutes of the proceedings are forwarded to the Principal Executive Officer of the University; and
 - (d) To ensure that the minutes of the proceedings are available for inspection by any student of the University.
- (iv) The duties and functions of the Junior Treasurer of the University Students Union shall be
 - (a) to ensure that all income and expenditure is properly recorded and accounted for in the books kept for this purpose, subject to any rules pertaining to maintenance of such accounts;
 - (b) to inform the Senior Treasurer within one week of the receipt of any money by the Union, of such receipt;
 - (c) to make payments out of the funds of the Union with the approval of the Senior Treasurer;
 - (d) to prepare a budget for the academic year and submit it to the Union within one month from the date of election its office-bearers; (for this purpose he shall consult the office-bearers and any standing committee of the union, if any)
 - (e) where necessary, to prepare supplementary estimates;
 - (f) to submit to the Auditor through the Senior Treasurer a statement of income and expenditure and the balance sheet of the Union for the academic year within two weeks of the end of the academic year in which the Union was elected.

20. Any question regarding the interpretation of this By-law shall be referred to the Council whose decision thereon shall be final.

21. In this By-law

- "Academic year" means the period commencing on 1st day of October of the year and ending on 30th day of September of the following year';
- "Act" means the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 (as amended);
- "Auditor" means any auditor appointed by the Principal
- Executive Officer to audit the accounts of the University Students Union or any Faculty Students Unions;
- "Council" means the Council of the University of Peradeniya;
- "Dean" means the Dean of each Faculty or any other person acting for the Dean for the time being;
- "Faculty" means any Faculty established by the University of Peradeniya under the Act except the Faculty of Graduate Studies;
- "Principal Executive Officer" means the Vice-Chancellor or any other person performing the duties of office of the Vice-Chancellor for the time being;
- "Registrar" means the Registrar of the University of Peradeniya or any other person acting for the Registrar for the time being;
- "Senate" means the Senate of the University of Peradeniya;
- The word 'Post' means the position of office bearer or member of a union.



REGULATION RELATING TO EXAMINATION PROCEDURE, OFFENCES & PUNISHMENTS FOR EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED UNDER THE SEMESTER-BASED COURSE UNIT SYSTEM

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Regulations made by the Senate of the University of Peradeniya and approved by the Council under Section 136 read with Sections 29, 45 and 46 of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 as amended by the Universities (Amendment) Act No.7 of 1985.

Examination of a course/course unit may consist of several assessment components (quizzes, within semester and end-semester examinations, term papers, assignments, etc.)

32.1 Regulations

These Regulations may be cited as the Examination Procedure, Offences & Punishment Regulation No.1 of 2008.

32.1.1 Part I - Examination Procedure

1. A candidate is expected to be outside the examination hall at least 15 minutes before the commencement of each paper, but shall not enter the hall until he/she is requested to do so by the supervisor.
2. On admission to the hall a candidate shall occupy the seat allotted to him/her and shall not change it except on the specific instruction of the Supervisor.
3. For examinations which have duration of one or more hours, a candidate shall not be admitted to the examination hall after the expiry of half an hour from the commencement of the examination. A candidate shall not be allowed to leave the hall until half an hour has elapsed from the commencement of the examination or during the last 15 minutes of the paper.
4. However, under exceptional circumstances or in cases where the duration of the examination is less than one hour, the supervisor in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty concerned may use his discretion in the enforcement of Rule 3.
5. A candidate shall have his/her student record book/student identity card and admission card with him/her in the examination hall on every occasion he/she

* Regulations relating to examination procedure, offences and punishments for examinations conducted under the old system, please refer section 31 of the University Calendar 2007/08.

presents himself/herself for a paper. His/her candidature is liable to be cancelled if he/she does not produce the student record book/student identity card and admission card when requested to do so. If he/she fails to bring his/her student record book/student identity card /admission card, he/she shall sign a declaration in respect of the paper for which he/ she had not produced the student record book/student identity card and admission card in the form provided for it, and produce the student record book/student identity card and admission card to the Registrar or the relevant Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar within the next three working days. If a candidate loses his/her student record book/student identity card and admission card during the examination period, he/she shall obtain a duplicate of student record book/student identity card and admission card as the case may be from the Registrar or relevant Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar for production at the examination hall.

6. A candidate shall not have on his/her person or in his/her clothes or on the admission card, time-table, student record book/student identity card, any notes, signs or formulae, etc., except those items that are permitted. All unauthorized items which a candidate has brought with him/her should be kept at a place indicated by the Supervisor/Invigilator.
7. A candidate may be required by the supervisor to declare any item in his/her possession or person.
8. No candidate shall copy or attempt to copy from any book or paper or notes or similar material or from the scripts of another candidate. A candidate shall neither help another candidate nor obtain help from another candidate or any other person. A candidate shall not conduct himself/herself so negligently that an opportunity is given to any other candidate to read anything written by him/her or to watch any practical examination performed by him/her. No candidate shall use any other unfair means or obtain or render improper assistance at the examination.
9. If any candidate was found to have copied from another candidate by an examiner at the time of marking, he/she would be treated as having committed a punishable offence.
10. No candidate shall submit a practical book or field book or dissertation/thesis or project study or answer script or assignment which has been prepared wholly or partly by anyone other than the candidate himself/herself. This section, however, does not apply to group projects of students.

11. A candidate shall bring his/her own pens, ink, mathematical instruments, erasers, pencils or any other approved equipment or stationery which he/she has been instructed to bring. The use of a calculator will be permitted only for papers that contain a rubric to that effect.
12. Examination stationery (i.e., writing paper, graph paper, drawing paper, ledger paper, precis paper, etc.) will be supplied at the examination hall as and when necessary. No sheet of paper or answer book supplied to a candidate may be torn, crumpled, folded or otherwise mutilated. No papers other than those supplied to him/her by the Supervisor/Invigilator shall be used by candidates. All material supplied, whether used or unused, shall be left behind on the desk and not removed from the examination hall.
13. Every candidate shall enter his/her Index Number/Registration Number on each answer book and on every continuation paper. He/She shall also enter all necessary particulars as required. A candidate who inserts on script an Index Number/Registration Number other than his/her own is liable to be considered as having attempted to cheat.

A script that bears no Index Number/Registration Number, or has an Index Number/Registration Number which cannot be identified, is liable to be rejected. No candidate shall write his/her name or any other identifying mark on the answer script unless otherwise authorized.
14. All calculations and rough work shall be done only on paper supplied for the examination, and shall be cancelled and attached to the answer script. Such work should not be done on any other material. Any candidate who disregards these instructions runs the risk of being considered as having written notes or outline of answers with the intention of copying.
15. Any answer or part of an answer, which is not to be considered for the purpose of assessment, shall be neatly crossed out. If the same question has been attempted in more than one place the answer or answers that are not to be considered shall be neatly crossed out.
16. Candidates are under the authority of the supervisor and shall assist him/her by carrying out his/her instructions and those of the Invigilator during the examination and immediately before and after it.
17. Every candidate shall conduct himself/herself in the examination hall and its precincts as not to cause disturbance or inconvenience to the supervisor or his staff or to other candidates. In entering and leaving the hall, he/she shall conduct

- himself/herself as quietly as possible. A candidate is liable to be excluded from the examination hall for disorderly conduct.
18. Candidates shall stop work promptly when ordered by the Supervisor/Invigilator to do so.
 19. Absolute silence shall be maintained in the examination hall and its precincts. A candidate is not permitted for any reason whatsoever to communicate or to have any dealings with any person other than the Supervisor/Invigilator. The attention of the Supervisor/Invigilator shall be drawn by the candidate by raising his/her hand from where he/she is seated.
 20. During the course of answering a question paper no candidate shall be permitted to leave the examination hall temporarily. In case of an emergency, the Supervisor/Invigilator may grant him/her permission to do so but the candidate will be under his/her surveillance.
 21. No person shall impersonate a candidate at the examination, nor shall any candidate allow himself/herself to be impersonated by another person.
 22. Any candidate receiving unauthorized assistance from any person shall be deemed to have committed an examination offence.
 23. If circumstances arise which in the opinion of the supervisor render the cancellation or postponement of the examination necessary, he/she shall stop the examination, collect the scripts already written and then report the matter as soon as possible to the Dean of the relevant Faculty.
 24. The Supervisor/Invigilator is empowered to require any candidate to make a statement in writing on any matter which may have arisen during the course of the examination and such statement shall be signed by the candidate. No candidate shall refuse to make such a statement or to sign it. If such a candidate refuses to make such a statement or refuses to sign it, the Supervisor/Invigilator shall make his own statement and report the matter to the Dean of the relevant Faculty.
 25. No candidate shall contact any person other than the Vice-Chancellor, Dean, Head of the Department, the Registrar or the relevant Senior Assistant Registrar regarding any matter concerning the examination.
 26. Every candidate shall hand over the answer script personally to the Supervisor/Invigilator or remain in his/her seat until it is collected. On no account shall a candidate hand over his/her answer script to an attendant, a minor employee, or another candidate.

27. Every candidate who registers for a course/course unit shall be deemed to have sat the examination of that course/course unit unless he/she withdraws from the course/course unit within the prescribed period for dropping courses/course units. He/She should submit a medical certificate in support of his/her absence, prior to the commencement of the examination. If such a document cannot be submitted before the commencement of the examination, a candidate shall inform of his/her inability to attend the examination to the Dean of the Faculty within a week after the commencement of the examination. The medical certificate shall conform to the Senate Regulations. (See Appendix I.)
28. When a candidate is unable to be present for any part/section of an examination of a course/course unit, he/she shall notify or cause to be notified this fact to the Dean of the Faculty and relevant Senior Assistant Registrar or Assistant Registrar immediately. This should be confirmed in writing with supporting documents by registered post within two weeks.
29. A student will be eligible for honours if all requirements for the award of honours are met within the prescribed period for the degree. However, candidates found guilty of an examination offence shall not be eligible for honours.
30. No student shall sit an examination of a course/course unit, if he/she has exhausted the number of attempts that he/she is allowed to sit that particular examination, unless he/she has been granted special permission to do so by the Dean of the relevant Faculty.

32.1.2 Part II – Examination Offences and Punishments

1. Offences

- 1.1 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 6 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of possession of unauthorized documents/items and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period varying from 1 -5 semesters.
- 1.2 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 8 or 9 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of copying and therefore his/her candidature shall be cancelled from the examinations of that semester and he/she, shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of five semesters.
- 1.3 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 10 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of having cheated at the examination and his/her candidature for the

examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for period varying from 1 - 9 semesters.

- 1.4 Any candidate who is detected removing examination stationery and other material provided for the examination (Rule 12) shall be deemed guilty of an examination offence and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be liable to be prohibited from sitting any examination of the university for a period of three semesters.
- 1.5 Any candidate who violates any one or more of the rules in 7, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of disorderly conduct and his/her candidature shall be cancelled from the examinations of that semester and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of three semesters.
- 1.6 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 21 shall be guilty of the offence of impersonation and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university.

Impersonator/s may also be liable to any punishment under the Penal Code/Criminal Law. In the event the impersonator is found to be a graduate of this

- 1.7 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 22 shall be guilty of an examination offence and his/her candidature for the examinations of that semester shall be cancelled and he/she shall be prohibited from sitting any examination of this university for a period of 1 - 5 semesters.
- 1.8 Any candidate found aiding and abetting in the commission of any of the above examination offences shall be deemed to have committed that offence and shall be punished in respect of the offence in accordance with the provisions of the relevant section.
- 1.9 Any other offence which is not covered in the above sections alleged to have been committed by a candidate and reported to the relevant authority by a supervisor or examiner shall be inquired into and appropriate action taken.

32.1.3 Part III - Procedure Regarding Examination Offences Committed by Candidates

1. There shall be an Examination Disciplinary Committee of not less than 3 members of whom at least one member is from outside the Faculty, appointed for each case by the Dean of the relevant Faculty to inquire into and make recommendations (including punishments) on examination offences referred to it. Member(s) outside the Faculty shall be selected from a panel of members appointed for this purpose by the Vice-Chancellor.

2. Classification of Offences

Examination offences may be broadly classified as follows:

- 2.1 Possession of unauthorized documents/items
- 2.2 Copying
- 2.3 Cheating
- 2.4 Removal of stationery
- 2.5 Disorderly conduct
- 2.6 Impersonation
- 2.7 Unauthorized assistance
- 2.8 Aiding and abetting in the commission of above offences
- 2.9 Other offences.

3. Punishments

(As specified in Part II -1.1 -1.9)

4. Procedure

4.1 In all cases of violation of examination rules detected, the supervisor shall take action as outlined below and forward his/her report to the relevant Dean/Senior Assistant Registrar or Assistant Registrar

4.2 In cases of disorderly conduct the supervisor shall in the first instance warn the candidate to be of good behaviour. Disorderly conduct shall be considered grave, only if such conduct in the opinion of the supervisor is considered as causing a disturbance in the conduct of the examination. Where the candidate persists in unruly or disorderly conduct, the supervisor may exclude the candidate from the examination hall and issue him a letter with a copy to the relevant Dean/Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar, cancelling his/her candidature from the examination.

4.3 In all cases of examination offences detected, the supervisor shall send a report to the relevant Dean along with any material taken into custody. Material taken into

custody should be authenticated by placing the signatures of the candidate and the Supervisor/Invigilator and the date, time and place of detection. A supervisor should give particulars of any incriminating material of which he/she cannot take possession. The Supervisor's report should be countersigned by one of the Invigilators.

- 4.4 The Dean after preliminary inquiry shall place all reports of examination offences submitted by supervisors for action of the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.
- 4.5 Supervisor, Examiner, Head of Department or any other official of the University who detects an examination offence shall report the matter in writing to the relevant Dean, who shall after preliminary inquiry submit his findings to the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.
- 4.6 Any allegations regarding the commission of examination offences from whosoever received shall be submitted by the Dean after preliminary inquiry to the relevant Examination Disciplinary Committee for further action.

5 The Decision

- 5.1 The punishment recommended by the Examination Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the relevant Faculty Board for a decision and the decision shall be reported to the Senate for ratification.

Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar of the relevant Faculty shall be the Convener/Secretary of the inquiring committee on examination offences.

6 Appeals Board

- 6.1 There shall be an Appeals Board, consisting of three members, appointed by the Vice-Chancellor to consider appeals regarding the decision referred to in 5.1 above. Any student on whom a punishment has been imposed may, within a period of two weeks from the date of communication to him/her of such punishment, appeal against such punishment to the Vice-Chancellor.
- 6.2 The Appeals Committee shall have the power to review the decision referred to in 5.1 regarding the punishment imposed and may either affirm, vary as deem necessary or set aside the decision regarding the punishment.

7 Postgraduate Institutes

7.1 In the case of Postgraduate Institutes, the functions of the Dean and the Faculty Board with regard to these regulations shall be performed respectively by the Director and the Coordinating Committee of the relevant Institute.

32.1.4 Appendix I - Procedure Approved by the University of Peradeniya for The Acceptance of Medical Certificates Submitted by Students for Work and Examinations

1. Students are requested to support the absence from course work or examination due to illness by a valid medical certificate conforming to the format of a medical certificate issued by a government hospital. Such medical certificate should be obtained from the following persons:

- University Medical Officer(UMO)
- District Medical Officer
- Consultant Specialist in the particular field
- Head of a Government Base Hospital
- Medical Superintendent of a Provincial Ayurvedic Government Hospital
- Ayurvedic Physician registered in the Council

Under exceptional circumstances, medical certificates issued by private hospitals or registered private practitioners could be considered by the University Medical Board.

2. Students who fall ill during sessions or examination time should contact the University Medical Officer at the University Health Centre immediately.

If a student falls sick at home or elsewhere during sessions or examination time he/she or his /her guardian should inform the Dean of the respective Faculty within seven (7) days by telegram/fax/e-mail followed by a letter indicating the nature of the illness and the name of the attending doctor, etc. A medical certificate supporting the illness of the student also should be sent to the Dean.

Under exceptional circumstances if a student was not able to meet the deadline mentioned above, he/she could send his/her appeal to the relevant Faculty Board.

The Dean on receipt of such medical certificate/s should follow the following procedure:

- i. In case of Western Medical Certificates submitted by students to cover absence from course work or examination:

- a. The medical certificate should be referred to the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the University for his/her observations and recommendations.
 - b. The CMO in turn examines the certificate and if he/she wishes could summon the student for examination and thereafter send his/her observations and recommendations to the Dean.
 - c. In cases where the CMO wishes to convene the Western Medical Board he/she may make arrangements to convene the Western Medical Board and refer the recommendations of the Board to the Dean.
 - d. The Dean on receipt of such recommendations from the CMO or Western Medical Board should send it to the Faculty Board for ratification.
- ii. In the case of Ayurvedic Medical Certificates submitted by students to cover absence from course work or examinations, the following procedure should be followed:
- a. Ayurvedic medical certificates submitted by student in respect of absence from examinations or course work should be circulated among the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board for their observations by the Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration of each Faculty in consultation with the Deans of the respective Faculties.
 - b. Each member of the Ayurvedic Medical Board may send his/her observations and recommendations on the face of the medical certificate to the Dean of the respective Faculty through the Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar of the Faculty;
 - c. In cases where the opinions of the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board vary, the Senior Assistant Registrar or Assistant Registrar of the Faculty in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty may take steps to convene a meeting of the Ayurvedic Medical Board.
 - d. If the members of the Ayurvedic Medical Board think that the medical certificates should be examined at a meeting of the Board, the Dean of the Faculty should be informed accordingly.
 - e. If the members wish to examine the students concerned, they could be summoned before the Medical Board through the Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar of the Faculty.

- f. The recommendation of the Ayurvedic Medical Board should be sent to the Faculty Board through the Dean of the Faculty for ratification.
 - g. The original copies of the Ayurvedic Medical Certificate submitted by students should be kept in the files of the students concerned and copies of such certificates should be sent to the Chief Medical Officer for purposes of record.
3. There shall be two Medical Boards in the University, viz., Western Medical Board and Ayurvedic Medical Board.

i Western Medical Board

Terms of Reference

- a. The Western Medical Board shall consider cases where the Chief Medical Officer of the University has doubt about the validity of the grounds (including medical certificate) upon which the request of students to be excused for absence from course work of examinations.
- b. The Chief Medical Officer of the University shall convene the Western Medical Board if and when necessary.
- c. The Board has the right to call students before the Board when necessary for purposes of interview, examination and investigations.
- d. Recommendations of the Medical Board should be sent to the Faculty Board through the Dean of the respective Faculty.
- e. The Western Medical Board should consist of the Heads of the Departments of Medicine, Surgery and Psychiatry of the Faculty of Medicine or their nominees and the CMO of the University.

ii. Ayurvedic Medical Board

Composition

The Ayurvedic Medical Board shall consist of three (3) persons appointed by the Senate of the University.

Terms of Reference

- a. The Ayurvedic Medical Board shall consider Ayurvedic Medical Certificates submitted by students requesting exemption from examinations or course work and make recommendations to the Senate through the Deans of the respective Faculties.

- b. The Board shall meet at least once within a semester. The Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration in consultation with the Dean of the respective Faculty shall convene meetings of the Ayurvedic Medical Board whenever necessary and co-ordinate the work between the Faculty and the Ayurvedic Medical Board.
- c. The Board has the right to call students before the Board when necessary for purposes of interviews, examination and investigations. Such requests should be sent to the students through the Senior Assistant Registrar/Assistant Registrar in charge of student registration of each Faculty.

Guidelines for the Functioning of the Ayurvedic Medical Board

- a. When accepting Ayurvedic Medical Certificates, caution is to be exercised by accepting from only those who are registered in the Ayurvedic Medical Council.
 - b. General or special registered Ayurvedic Medical Practitioners could recommend, on any one occasion, leave up to 14 days at a stretch. Those with more than the above amount should get an endorsement from the Medical Officer in charge of the closest Government Ayurvedic Hospital or Government Ayurvedic Dispensary.
 - c. The decision on leave stipulated in Medical Certificates from Ayurvedic Hospitals, Government Dispensaries or Local Government Ayurvedic Dispensaries rests with the Board.
 - d. This Board possesses the right to question the validity of any Ayurvedic Medical Certificate.
 - e. The Board possesses the right to summon before them any student submitting an Ayurvedic Medical Certificate, if necessary.
4. When students request exemption from examinations or course work upon the basis of illness, the ultimate decision on the question of exemption, repetition of course and of eligibility for honours, shall be the functions of the relevant Faculty Board upon the recommendation of the Medical Board or the Chief Medical Officer.



BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE OF CONVOCATION/ SPECIAL CONVOCATION

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By-Laws made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under Section 53 (2) of the Universities Act No.16 of 1978 and as amended by the Act No.7 of 1985.

33.1 Part I - General

1. These By-Laws may be cited as the "By-Laws" relating to "The Procedure of Convocation/Special Convocation" (By-Laws No. 1 of 1990) and shall come into operation on the day the Council determines the date of implementation. These By-Laws supersede any other By-Laws or regulations or procedure that may have been in operation hitherto.
2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the provisions of these By-Laws, the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Chancellor and the Senate shall take whatever appropriate action he/she deems necessary to hold a Convocation or Special Convocation.
3. The arrangements for the Convocation shall be made by a Convocation Committee appointed by the Council of the University.

33.2 Part II - Convocation Procedure

1. The date of the Convocation/Special Convocation shall be fixed by the Chancellor in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor, Senate and Council.
2. The Registrar shall advertise in the press the date of the Convocation and categories of graduands who shall apply for the conferment of degrees.
3. Such application forms shall be issued by the Registrar either by post or in person to all eligible graduands. Such applications duly perfected shall be sent to the Registrar by the graduands on or before the specified date.
4. The Registrar shall check such applications as to their eligibility and arrange a list of graduands according to Faculties and Institutes of the University in alphabetical order. The order of Faculties shall be in alphabetical order.

5. The fees for the Convocation payable by the graduands shall be determined by the Council from time to time. No graduand shall be awarded the degree unless all dues to the University including fees for the Convocation have been paid on or before the date determined by the Registrar.

6. The names of those who are eligible for the conferment of degrees on approval by the Senate and the Council respectively shall be published in the Convocation Book in the following order:
 - (a) Honorary Degrees in the order specified by the Council

 - (b) Higher Doctorates
 - Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Lit.)
 - Degree of Doctor of Literature (D.Litt.)
 - Degree of Doctor of Science (D.Sc.)

 - (c) Doctorates
 - Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
 - Degree of Doctor of Medicine (D.M.)
 - Degree of Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.D.M.)

 - (d) Master's Degrees
 - Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.)
 - Degree of Master of Arts (M.A.)
 - Degree of Master of Science (M.Sc.)
 - Degree of Master of the Science of Engineering (MScEng.)
 - Degree of Master of Veterinary Science (M.V.Sc.)

 - (e) Bachelor's Degrees
 - Degree of Bachelor of the Science of Agriculture (B.Sc. Agric.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (B.D.S.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of the Science of Engineering (BScEng)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science (B.V.Sc.)
 - Degree of Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.)

7. Ceremonial Dress
 - (a) At the Convocation, His/Her Excellency the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar shall wear the ceremonial dress.

- (b) The Deputy Vice-Chancellor, if any, the Rector, if any, the Deans, Directors of Institutes and other officers of the University who take part in the procession shall wear ceremonial/full academic dress.
- (c) The academic staff, the administrative and other staff who are graduates and who take part in the procession shall wear ceremonial/full academic dress.
- (d) An honorary graduand shall wear the academic dress appropriate to his/her degree but without a garland.
- (e) A graduand shall wear the academic dress appropriate to his/her degree but without a garland.
- (f) Note: A Buddhist Monk who is a recipient of a degree shall not be required to wear the academic dress.
- (g) Guests may wear their academic dress if they so wish.

8. Convocation Procession

8.1 There shall be:

- (a) The Chancellor's Procession
- (b) Procession of the Members of the Senate
- (c) Procession of other staff
- (d) Graduands' Procession

8.2 Chancellor's Procession shall consist of:

- (a) The Registrar leading
- (b) The Bursar
- (c) The Librarian
- (d) Deans of Faculties (in the order referred to in Section 4 of Part II) and Directors of Institutes
- (e) Rector (if any), Deputy Vice-Chancellor (if any)
- (f) The Honorary Graduands, if any
- (g) The Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor
- (h) His/Her Excellency the President when he/she is present.

Note: When His/Her Excellency the President takes part in the Procession, Sesath and Mura Ayuda bearers shall be immediately before His/Her Excellency the President.

8.3 The Procession of the Members of the Senate shall consist of Members of the Senate in pairs in order of seniority, juniors leading.

- 8.4 The Procession of the other staff shall consist of:
Academic staff who are non-members of the Senate, Academic support staff, members of the administrative and financial staff, medical officers, other members who belong to the executive grades and all University employees who are graduates. All those who take part in this procession shall be graduates and take their places in the order of seniority in their grades.
- 8.5 Graduands' Procession
All graduands other than honorary graduands who shall receive their degrees shall take their position in order of Faculties. (See Section 4 of Part II & 8.2)
- 8.6 The order of the processions shall be
- ii. The graduands' procession leading
 - iii. Procession of the staff
 - iv. Procession of the Senate Members
 - v. Procession of the Chancellor.
- 8.7 When the Chancellor's Procession approaches the Convocation hall the Convocation shall rise. It shall remain standing until His/Her Excellency the President/Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor is seated.
- 8.8 The National Anthem shall be sung and the traditional oil lamp shall be lit by His/Her Excellency the President (when present), the Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor.
- 8.9 His/Her Excellency the President/Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor shall say, "I declare this Convocation/Special Convocation open for conferment of degrees".
9. The Award of Degrees
- 9.1 The degrees shall be awarded in the order specified in Section 6 of Part II of these By-Laws.
- 9.2 When His/Her Excellency the President is presiding, the Vice-Chancellor will announce:
- “Your Excellency, I have the honour to report that, on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that degrees of be conferred on"”
- A Dean, a Director or a Head of a Department nominated by the Vice-Chancellor shall present the graduands to His/Her Excellency the President. The graduands shall stand before His/Her Excellency the President who shall announce:

“I as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, confer upon you the degree of

(This form shall be applicable to all degrees with the necessary amendments.)

On conferment of Degrees in absentia by His/Her Excellency the President, the Vice-Chancellor shall announce:

“Your Excellency, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the Degree of be conferred in absentia on

The list of graduands shall be read out by a Dean, Director or a Head of a Department nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. His/Her Excellency the President shall confer the Degree in the following manner:

“I as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka confer in absentia the Degree of on

(This form shall be applicable to all degrees with the necessary amendments.)

However, His/Her Excellency, the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, when he/she presides, shall have the discretion to delegate the function of conferring the degrees to the Chancellor and, in the absence of the Chancellor, to the Vice-Chancellor.

9.3 When the Chancellor is presiding, the Vice-Chancellor will announce:

“Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred on

The graduands shall be presented by a Dean, a Director or a Head of a Department nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Chancellor will confer the degree in the following manner:

“By authority vested in me as Chancellor, I confer upon you the degree of”

When the degree is conferred in absentia the Vice-Chancellor will announce:

“Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the degree of be conferred in absentia on

The Chancellor will confer the degree in the following manner:

“By authority vested in me as Chancellor, I confer in absentia the degree of ...on”

(This form shall be applicable to all degrees with the necessary amendments.)

9.4 Conferment of Higher Doctorates and Doctorates

When His/Her Excellency the President or the Chancellor is presiding, the graduands who receive Higher Doctorates and Doctorates shall be presented by the Vice-Chancellor individually for the conferment of degrees in the following form:

“Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that the degree of be conferred on

His/Her Excellency the President/The Chancellor will confer the degree in the following manner:

“I, as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer upon you the degree of

When the degrees are conferred in absentia, the Vice-Chancellor will announce:

“Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred in absentia on

His/Her Excellency the President/the Chancellor will confer the degrees in the following manner:

“I, as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer in absentia on those who have been presented to me the degree of ...”

9.5 When the Vice-Chancellor is presiding, a Dean, a Director or a Head of a Department appointed by the Vice-Chancellor shall announce:

“Vice-Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred on ...”

The Vice-Chancellor shall confer the degree in the following manner:
“By authority vested in me, I confer upon you the degree of”

When the degree is conferred in absentia the Dean, Director or Head of Department appointed by the Vice-Chancellor will announce:

"Vice-Chancellor, I have the honor to report that on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred in absentia on ..."

The Vice-Chancellor shall confer the degree in the following manner:

"By authority vested in me, I confer in absentia upon those presented to me the degree of..."

(This form shall be amended as necessary.)

9.6 All Master's degrees shall be presented by the Vice-Chancellor in group in the following manner:

"Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred on:

(List of names shall be read by the Vice-Chancellor).

His/Her Excellency the President/Chancellor shall confer the degrees in the following manner:

"I, as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer on those presented to me the degree of. ...".

When the degree is conferred in absentia the Vice-Chancellor shall announce:

"Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that the degree of ... be conferred in absentia on ..."

His/Her Excellency the President/The Chancellor shall confer the degree in the following form:

"I as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer in absentia on those who have been presented to me the degree of ..."

(This form shall be amended as necessary when the Vice-Chancellor presides. In such a case a Dean, a Director, a Head of a Department or any other person nominated by the Vice-Chancellor shall present the graduands.)

9.7 In the case of Bachelor's degrees, the Vice-Chancellor shall say,

"Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate the Council has resolved that the degree of Bachelor of ... be conferred on those who are presented by the Dean of the Faculty of ..."

The degrees shall be conferred by His/Her Excellency the President/the Chancellor in the following manner:

"I, as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer on those who have been presented to me the degree of Bachelor of ..."

When the degree is conferred in absentia, the Vice-Chancellor shall say,

"Your Excellency/Chancellor, I have the honour to report that on the recommendation of the Senate, the Council has resolved that the degree of Bachelor of ... be conferred in absentia on those who are presented by the Dean of the Faculty of ..."

His/Her Excellency the President/The Chancellor will confer the degree in the following manner:

"I, as the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka/by authority vested in me as Chancellor, confer in absentia on those who have been presented to me, the degree of Bachelor of ..."

(This form shall be amended as necessary when the Vice-Chancellor presides. In such a case, a Dean, a Director, a Head of a Department or any other person nominated by the Vice-Chancellor shall present the graduands.)

9.8 If the degree is an Honorary Degree, when it is conferred, the word "Honorary" should be pronounced after the details of the degree.

Prizes, Medals, Scholarships, etc.

After all the degrees have been conferred, the Vice-Chancellor shall read the list of prizes, medals, scholarships, exhibitions, awarded on the results of the Final Examinations of the University.

10. His/Her Excellency the President, the Chancellor or the Vice-Chancellor, whoever presides, shall sign the roll of Graduands.
11. His/Her Excellency the President/Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor says, "I declare the Convocation closed."
12. His/Her Excellency the President's/Chancellor's procession shall return with His/Her Excellency the President/Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor leading. The staff procession shall follow the Professors and Heads of Departments leading.
13. The Convocation will disperse.



GUIDELINES FOR GRANTING OF EMERITUS STATUS TO PROFESSOR

The following are the guidelines for the award of Emeritus Professorship to academics. Guidelines provided are given under the University Grants Commission Circular No.960.

The Senate of the University on the recommendation of the Faculty concerned may award the title of Emeritus Professor to an academic staff member who may be deemed worthy of election to such title.

The following guidelines are prescribed as evaluation criteria for nomination:

1. A retired professor or a professor of a University, who has resigned from University service,

and

- (a) has served the University for a period of not less than 25 years as a teacher of which at least 10 years as a professor,

or

- (b) has served the university for a period not less than 15 years as a Professor,

or

- (c) had made an outstanding contribution to knowledge and institutional and/or national development or served in a reputed international academic/research/development organization.

In so far as the printed order and the position in academic procession are concerned, Emeritus Professors rank senior to Professor, and junior to member of the Council.

Emeritus Professors have the right to use the title in publications and official ceremonies, and shall be admitted to such staff amenities and privileges as the council may, from time to time, decide.

A person may relinquish his honorary title of Emeritus Professorship if re-employment is offered by the University concerned.



GUIDELINES FOR CONFERRING HONORARY DEGREES

The following are the guidelines for the award of Honorary Degrees to academics. Guidelines are given under the University Grants Commission Circular No. 908.

- 1 Three categories of persons may be considered for honorary degrees.

Category A

A person who is widely recognized as a person of eminence, an outstanding personality in a field of knowledge or other creative or intellectual activity at a national, sectoral or regional level.

By *sectoral* is meant a distinct field of knowledge or creative or intellectual activity, including subject areas which are rare or abstruse: by *regional* is meant persons of eminence in a regional or provincial rather than a countrywide national context (thus, “sectorally” a theoretical physicist whose work is only known to practitioners in his or her field; or “regionally” a doctor who has made an enormous, longstanding and innovatory contribution to medical health in a rural area; or a locally-based researcher to the study of the history and culture of a distant and little-accessed province or district otherwise not well-researched by “national” specialists).

Category B

A person who has made outstanding, innovative and landmark contributions to knowledge, or other creative or intellectual activity in a sustained way (or such vital and critical importance to the subject area in question) and who is recognized as such by most of his or her contemporaries, judged fundamentally by publications or similar contributions.

Persons in this category are essentially to be judged by the intellectual quality and quantity of their published or performed work, subject to the proviso that quality must take precedence over quantity. The evaluation of quality, needless to say, varies from field to field and from time to time.

Category C

A person who has made a long and distinguished contribution to the institution, the development and maintenance of a field of knowledge, or other creative or

intellectual activity, in a supportive or ancillary capacity but whose contribution has also been marked by a visible level of intellectual or creative capacity.

Persons in this category are essentially to be judged by the critical importance of their contribution to one or more fields of knowledge or other creative or intellectual activity, and the level and quality of such contributions.

- 2 An Honorary Degree should be conferred by a University only on the recommendation of its Senate and the approval of its Council. This is a mandatory pre-requisite. Usually proposals for Honorary Degrees should be considered in the first instance by an Honorary Degrees Committee comprising nominees of the Senate and the Council. A consensus should be reached at informal discussions before formal discussions take place at Faculty, Senate and Council level in order to avoid possible embarrassment to the prospective recipient and the University in the event that the proposal is not favourably entertained.
- 3 The same categories and principles mentioned above should be applicable to non-Sri Lankans, and their credentials should be carefully examined, as institutions here may not always be cognizant with the rules and regulations and standards that are applied in the award of degrees, use of title, nature of appointments, affiliations, etc., in other countries.



REGULATIONS FOR AWARD OF THE D.SC./D.LITT. DEGREES

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[Regulations made by the Senate and approved by the Council of the University of Peradeniya under Section 136 read with Section 29 of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 as amended by the Universities (Amendment) Act No.7 of 1985.]

Regulations

These regulations may be cited as Regulations for the Award of D.Sc. /D.Litt. Degrees in the University of Peradeniya - Regulations No. 1 of 2007.

The Senate may resolve that the Degree of Doctor of Science/Doctor of Literature (D.Sc./D.Litt.) be conferred on a graduate of the University of Peradeniya or its predecessors who holds a degree of Doctor of Philosophy or an equivalent research degree (at least a 3-year full-time degree) of a recognized university. An application for the Degree may be made only after a period of six years has elapsed after the award of the above research degree.

The Degree of D.Sc. /D.Litt. shall be awarded for conspicuous merit in a field of study within the purview of the respective Faculty/Postgraduate Institute (PGI) of the University. Evidence of conspicuous merit shall be provided by research papers published in journals, monographs, books and/or other research material which constitute a significant and substantial original contribution to the relevant field of learning. These research publications should reflect a significant contribution to national development/ advancement of knowledge.

36.1 Application Procedure

- 36.1.1 Every application for a Degree under these Regulations must be made in duplicate on the prescribed forms obtained from the University on the payment of a fee.
- 36.1.2 Every application shall be accompanied by a receipt for the prescribed fee paid to the account of the University at a bank specified by the University [For details, refer to the respective Faculty/Post Graduate Institute (PGI) handbooks or University document which gives examination fees].
- 36.1.3 Every application shall be accompanied by a declaration by the applicant that the published work on which the application is based have not been submitted for a degree of this or any other University and that the applicant received no assistance

other than the assistance which is specified in detail in the application.

An applicant who submits papers or books which have been produced in collaboration shall state in respect of each item the extent of the applicant's own contribution.

- 36.1.4 Four copies of all relevant materials other than those which are specified in detail in the application in bound form should be submitted along with the application to the Dean of the relevant Faculty/Director of PGI. Two of the copies submitted will become the property of the University whether or not the degree is conferred.
- 36.1.5 A brief review, not exceeding 1000 words, should be submitted by the applicant giving the scope of the subject of study, its scholarship, methodologies and general relevance, the significance of the results obtained and its impact on society.
- 36.1.6 In order to substantiate the applicant's claim that his/her work has contributed significantly to his/her field of study and been given due recognition by researchers/workers in the field of study, documentary evidence such as citations, publications by other workers based on the findings and/or the methodologies developed by the applicant and in general the advancement he/she has achieved in his/her field of study, etc., should be submitted with an introduction highlighting the impact of the applicant's work.

36.2 Evaluation Procedure

- 36.2.1 The Dean of the Faculty or the Director of the Postgraduate Institute shall place the application before the Faculty Higher Degrees Committee (FHDC) or the relevant Board of Study/Coordinating Committee for consideration. These Committees when assessing the application should also take into consideration the contribution made by the applicant towards stimulating, promoting and supporting research in the specific area in which the higher degree is sought.
- 36.2.2 The FHDC/Coordinating Committee will forward its observations to the Senate Higher Degrees Committee (SHDC) through the Faculty Board/Board of Management. The SHDC shall nominate for approval of the Senate a Sub-Committee consisting of (a) the Dean of the relevant Faculty/Director, PGI and (b) three Professors one of whom shall have higher doctoral degree (higher than the Ph.D.) who could be either from within the University or outside, for the purpose of perusal of the publications and nomination of examiners. If the applicant should happen to be the Dean of the relevant Faculty/Director of the PGI, a Dean of another Faculty/Director of another Postgraduate Institute may be appointed to the Sub-Committee.

- 36.2.3 The Sub-Committee shall screen the application and forward its observations to the Senate on whether the application is worthy of further examination and, if so, the names of suitable persons felt by the Sub-Committee to be competent to be appointed as evaluators. The Senate shall appoint two evaluators from those whose names are submitted by the Sub-Committee. Evaluators should have higher doctoral degrees and have special competence in the relevant subject area. Evaluators shall not be from the institution of the applicant or both from the same institution and may be from foreign country/countries and their higher doctoral degrees shall not have been awarded *Honoris Causa*.
- 36.2.4 The evaluators shall consider the quality of the publications and other evidence submitted by the applicant to determine whether or not the applicant has satisfied the academic requirements given under these regulations and report to the Senate accordingly.
- 36.2.5 The evaluators must determine whether or not the evidence presented by the applicant constitute an original contribution to the advancement of knowledge of such substance and distinction as to give the applicant authoritative status in the relevant branch of learning.
- 36.2.6 An evaluator may either recommend or not recommend the award of the higher degree. For the award of the D.Sc. /D.Litt. Degree, the concurrence of both evaluators is mandatory.

36.3 Fees

- Fees for Registration and preliminary evaluation: Rs. 5,000.00
- Final evaluation by external examiners - A sum equivalent to 500/- in Sri Lankan Rupees

In addition, candidates are required to pay postage depending on the actual cost.

36.4 Admission to the Degree

The recommendations of the evaluators shall be considered by a Results Board consisting of the Vice-Chancellor and either Director of the Postgraduate Institute or the Dean of the Faculty concerned and two senior professors nominated by the Senate. Where there is no concurrence between the examiners, the Results Board may, under exceptional circumstances, decide to recommend to the Senate that the application be evaluated by a third evaluator. The decision of the Results Board, if favourable, shall be submitted to the Senate for ratification. The effective date of the degree shall be the date on which the Results Board met to recommend the award of the Degree.



BY-LAWS GOVERNING THE POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

PART 1: General

These by-laws governing the postgraduate research fellowships of the University of Peradeniya are made by the Council of the University of Peradeniya in accordance with the powers vested in it by Section 29(n) read with Section 135(1) (d) of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 as amended by the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 7 of 1985, the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 24 of 1988, the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 26 of 1988, the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 33 of 1988, the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 03 of 1989, the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 01 of 1995, and the Universities (Amendment) Act No. 57 of 2009.

These by-laws shall be cited as by-laws No 2 of 2011 relating to “Postgraduate Research Fellowships” and shall come into operation w.e.f. the academic year 2010/2011.

These by-laws supersede any other by-laws or regulations on postgraduate research fellowships that may have been issued earlier.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the provisions of these by-laws, the Council of the University (herein after referred to as “the Council”) may take appropriate action it deems necessary to streamline the granting of fellowships and nothing in these by-laws shall be construed in a manner to detract from the powers, duties and functions conferred on or imposed upon the Council of the University by the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) or by any other instrument.

Without prejudice to the generality of the powers, duties and functions conferred upon or imposed on the Council by the Act or any other instrument, the Council shall be responsible for the administration and implementation of these by-laws.

These by-laws shall apply to all holders of postgraduate fellowships of the University of Peradeniya.

PART 2: Fellowships

- 2.1 The fellowships shall be awarded to a selected number of full-time registered postgraduate students of the University of Peradeniya.
- 2.2 A fellowship is awarded initially for one year and, based on satisfactory progress, may be extended up to a maximum of two years for an M.Phil. and three years for a Ph.D.

2.3 The amount of a grant and number of grantees per year shall be determined by the Senate of the University of Peradeniya (hereinafter referred to as “the Senate”) on the recommendation of the Higher Degrees Committee on the basis of the availability of funds.

2.4 A monthly stipend shall be paid to recipients of fellowships.

PART 3: Eligibility

3.1 An applicant possessing the following qualifications shall be eligible to apply for postgraduate research fellowships:

(a) A Bachelor's Degree with a First or Second Class (Upper Division) Honours from the University of Peradeniya or from any other University recognized by the Senate.

or

i. An exceptional academic and research record acceptable to the relevant Department of Study/Board of Study, the Faculty/PGI and the Senate.

3.2 Applicants shall be full-time registered postgraduate students of a Faculty or a Postgraduate Institute of the University of Peradeniya.

3.3 Special eligibility requirements of fellowships awarded by donors and endowments shall be determined on the basis of the relevant agreements (Annexure I).

3.4 Applicants who are currently employed in public or private institutions in a permanent capacity shall be eligible to apply for a Research Fellowship subject to the condition that they obtain full-time leave to pursue postgraduate studies at the University of Peradeniya.

3.5 Applicants receiving any other fellowships/assistantships shall not be eligible for a fellowship.

PART 4: Application Procedure

4.1 Applications for fellowships must be made on the prescribed forms obtainable from the DR/SAR of the Academic and Council Branch of the University of Peradeniya or may be downloaded from the University Website.

4.2 Fellowships will be announced annually within the University of Peradeniya.

- 4.3 The eligibility of an applicant for a fellowship will be determined on the basis of the information provided in the application.
- 4.4 The relevant academic/professional qualifications possessed by the candidate should be supported by academic transcripts, mark sheets and copies of certificates.
- 4.5 The applicant must submit the following documents with the application:

- a. Certified copies of all certificates/academic transcripts

Applicants who hold undergraduate degrees from Universities other than the University of Peradeniya should arrange to have an official copy of the transcript sent directly to the Council & Academic Branch of this University. Certification of transcripts and degrees must be effected by imprinting them with the official seal of the institution or by endorsing them by hand with the written signature of the responsible University Officer.

- b. Transcripts from all accredited Higher Educational Institutions that the applicant has attended. (Transcript should include all courses taken with grades/marks obtained.)

An award cannot be granted until official copies of all certificates/transcripts from all accredited institutions attended are on file with the DR or SAR/ Council and Academic Branch.

- c. A letter of recommendation from the Principal Supervisor
- d. A copy of the letter confirming registration in the postgraduate Programme
- e. Letter of leave or letter of eligibility for leave (if applicable)
- f. Report of family income certified by the Divisional Secretary
- g. Any other documents specified in the application.
- 4.6 If the name of the applicant in the application is different from the one appearing in his/her academic/professional certificates and/or birth certificate, an affidavit to the effect that the applicant is the one and the same person known by all such names should be submitted with the application form.

- 4.7 Applications that are received late and/or are incomplete in any respect will be rejected.
- 4.8 Duly completed applications should be sent to the Academic and Council Branch on or before the stipulated closing date of applications.

PART 5: Selection Procedure

- 5.1 All short-listed candidates shall be called for the interview to select fellows at which he/she is required to make an oral presentation.
- 5.2 The selection of fellows shall be based on the following criteria.

	Criteria	Maximum Marks	
1	Educational Qualifications		60
	a) Bachelor's Degree:		
	1 st class (four year degree)	50	
	Upper 2 nd (four year degree)	40	
	Lower 2 nd (four year degree)	30	
	1 st class (three year degree)	25	
	Upper 2 nd (three year degree)	20	
	Lower 2 nd (three year degree)	15	
	b) Postgraduate Qualifications		
	Degree	10	
Diploma	05		
2	Work Experience (1 per year)	04	04
3	Academic distinctions during and after undergraduate studies (prizes, medals, scholarships excluding Mahapola/ Bursaries) (2 per prize/medal/scholarship)	06	06
4	Extracurricular Activities (2 per event)	04	04
5	Priority for the Selected Research Area	06	06
6	Oral Presentation on the Proposed Research at the Interview	20	20
7	Total Marks		100
An applicant must receive a minimum of 50 marks to be eligible for a fellowship.			

- 5.3 The names of grantees selected from among eligible applicants shall be recommended to the Senate by the Senate Higher Degrees Committee.

5.4 There shall be no guarantee that all applicants who satisfy the general requirements for a fellowship will be awarded a fellowship.

5.5 There shall be a Selection Committee to choose candidates for fellowships.

The Selection Committee shall comprise the following:

- (i) Vice-Chancellor/Deputy Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair)
- (ii) Dean or a Senior Academic (preferably a Professor) nominated by the Dean representing each Faculty
- (iii) One member nominated by the Council
- (iv) One member nominated by the Senate

The Selection Committee may co-opt members to satisfy specific requirements of fellowships founded by donors and endowments.

DR/SAR of the Academic and Council Branch (Secretary)

5.6 The University at its discretion may refuse awarding a fellowship to a candidate.

5.7 Any applicant for fellowships who

- (i) Misrepresents, or aids and abets another person or persons to misrepresent material facts for the purpose of admission or obtaining academic advantage,
or
- (ii) Commits, or aids and abets a person or persons to commit, an act designed to misrepresent an applicant's eligibility for award,
or
- (iii) Is known to have committed or assisted another person to commit an act of cheating, plagiarism, fraud, deceit or any other form of academic misconduct will not be considered for a fellowship.

PART 6: Conditions of Fellowships

- 6.1 Upon receiving a fellowship, the recipient shall enter into an Agreement and sign a Bond with the University of Peradeniya. The Agreement shall stipulate all relevant conditions of the award (see Annexure II and Annexure III) and will include clauses empowering the University to recover funds already disbursed in cases of misuse of funds and non-completion of training.
- 6.2 A fellowship shall not be extended beyond one year for an MA/M.Sc., two years for an M. Phil. and three years for a Ph.D.
- 6.3 A Fellow is required to submit a bi-annual progress report on the research in June and December of every year.
- 6.4 The fellowship shall be contingent upon the continuation of candidacy on the part of the Fellow for the degree that s/he registered.
- 6.5 The fellow, upon completion of the Degree, is required to submit a copy of the thesis to the Council and Academic Branch to be deposited in the University library.
- 6.6 If the progress of the candidate in the Postgraduate Programme is proven unsatisfactory, the fellowship shall be terminated and action shall be taken to recover the funds already disbursed.
- 6.7 The University of Peradeniya reserves the right to terminate fellowships without prior notice, subject to the right of appeal by the grantees to the University.
- 6.8 Where applicable, the fellow should give due acknowledgement to the Donor/Trustee of the fellowship in his/her thesis submitted in fulfillment of the degree

PART 7: Disbursement Procedure

- 7.1 Upon approval of a fellowship by the Council, the funds shall be credited to a separate ledger maintained by the Bursar for Postgraduate Research Fellowships.
- 7.2 The monthly stipend shall be paid to the fellowship recipient by the Bursar from this ledger through regular payment channels of the University in accordance with the established practices of payment.
- 7.3 The first monthly installment of the fellowship shall be paid after signing an agreement and a bond between the Fellow and the University of Peradeniya.
- 7.4 The Faculties/PG Institutes and the Senate Higher Degrees Committee are

responsible for maintaining the continuity of the disbursement for Fellows subject to satisfactory progress in his/her work.

- 7.5 The Fellows shall complete and submit the monthly stipend claim form signed by him and recommended by the supervisor to the Head/Department or Chairman/Board of Study from 20th to 25th of each month.
- 7.6 The Head/Department or Chairman/Board of Study shall submit the recommended monthly stipend claim form to the Dean of the Faculty/the Director of the Postgraduate Institute.
- 7.7 The Dean of the Faculty/the Director of the Postgraduate Institute shall approve and submit the monthly stipend claim form to the Bursar for payment.
- 7.8 The Head/Department of study or the Chairman/Board of Study shall not recommend payments unless the Fellow has fulfilled all requirements of the fellowship and the Postgraduate Programme.
- 7.9 The Head of the Department or Chairman/Board of Study shall make recommendations of payment of monthly stipend on the basis of the attendance record, supervisor-supervisee meetings recorded in the supervision record book and, where applicable, timely submission of progress reports.

PART 8: Duties and Functions of Various Branches/Officers

8.1 Supervisors

- i. There shall be a Supervisor or Supervisors for each fellowship holder appointed by the Faculty Higher Degrees Committee or Board of Study of PGI in accordance with existing Postgraduate regulations.
- ii. The Supervisor, or Principal Supervisor if more than one supervisor is appointed, is responsible for guiding the fellowship recipients for the successful completion of the degree Programme. He/she shall maintain a supervision record book to record all meetings with the fellowship holder.
- iii. If the progress of the candidates is not satisfactory, the Principal Supervisor or Supervisor, as the case may be, shall inform the Dean of the Faculty/the Chairman of the Board of Study through the relevant Head of Department about the candidate in writing.
- iv. Principal Supervisor or Supervisor as the case may be shall recommend the progress reports.

- v. If the work of a fellowship holder is not satisfactory, the Supervisor or, if more than one supervisor has been appointed, the Principal Supervisor, shall recommend termination of the fellowship with justification.
- vi. The Faculty Higher Degree Committee/Board of Study has the right to change the Supervisors in the event of unsatisfactory supervision/progress of research of the Fellow.

8.2 Departmental Higher Degrees Committee/Board of Study of the PG Institute

The Departmental Higher Degrees Committee/Board of Study of the PG Institute shall

- i. Recommend supervisors
- ii. Recommend progress reports and payment of stipends
- iii. Maintain an attendance register of the fellowship recipients
- iv. Maintain and monitor the supervision record books
- v. Review and monitor the activities of the fellowship recipients
- vi. Recommend termination of the fellowships with sufficient justifications

8.3 Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/BoM of the PG Institute

The Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/BoM of the PG Institute shall

- i. Appoint supervisors on the recommendations of the DHDC/Board of Study
- ii. Recommend progress reports
- iii. Monitor supervision process
- iv. Review and monitor the activities of the fellowship recipients
- v. Recommend termination of the fellowships giving reasons/justifications

8.4 Dean of the Faculty/ Director of the PG Institute

The Dean of the Faculty/the Director of the Institute shall

- i. Approve payment of monthly stipend of fellowship holder
- ii. Recommend progress reports
- iii. Recommend termination of fellowships in concurrence with the Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/Board of Study

8.5 Council & Academic Branch

The Council and Academic Branch shall be responsible for

- i. All matters related to calling and processing of applications

- ii. Maintaining a database of each fellowship holder
- iii. Keeping records of all meetings of SHDC and other relevant committees within its purview
- iv. Reporting progress of fellows to the SHDC
- v. Sending decisions of SHDC for follow-up action to relevant bodies and to the fellows
- vi. Liaising with the Public Trustee and other donors on matters related to funds
- vii. Coordinating between supervisor(s), Fellows, Faculties/PG Institutes
- viii. Any other relevant matters

8.6 The Vice-Chancellor

The Vice-Chancellor shall

- i. Approve award of fellowships
- ii. Withhold or suspend award of fellowships and grants
- iii. Monitor all matters related to postgraduate research fellowships
- iv. Perform any other relevant action as per the regulations

PART 9: Progress Review and Monitoring

- 9.1 The fellows shall submit bi-annual progress reports to the Senate Higher Degrees Committee through the Supervisor or, where applicable, through the Principal Supervisor and the Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/the Board of Study using the Progress Report Form.
- 9.2 The recommendation of the Principal Supervisor/Supervisor and Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/Board of Study shall be required for all progress reports.
- 9.3 Each Faculty/Postgraduate Institute shall conduct a bi-annual progress review seminar where the fellows are required to make presentations from their ongoing work.
- 9.4 There shall be an attendance register of the fellows maintained by each Department of Study/Board of Study.

PART 10: Termination of Fellowships

- 10.1 A Fellowship may be terminated on the following grounds
 - i. Unsatisfactory progress
 - ii. Non-submission of bi-annual reports on time
 - iii. Inability of the fellow to carry out work on full-time basis
 - iv. Any form of academic misconduct

- v. Any other reason that in the opinion of the Senate constitutes reasonable grounds for termination of fellowship
- 10.2 Supervisors shall have the power to recommend termination of a fellowship to the FHDC/the Board of Study if the work of the fellowship holder is not satisfactory in his opinion.
- 10.3 The Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/the Board of Study shall have the power to recommend to the Senate the termination of a fellowship on the following grounds
- i. Supervisor's recommendation
 - ii. Non-submission of bi-annual progress reports
 - iii. Inability of the Fellow to carry out work on full-time basis
 - iv. Any form of academic misconduct
- 10.4 The Senate shall have the power to recommend to the Council the termination of a fellowship if the Faculty Higher Degrees Committee/Board of Study of a PGI recommends such termination OR if in the opinion of the Senate there exist reasonable and sufficient other grounds for such termination.
- 10.5 The Council may terminate any fellowship on the recommendation of the Senate.
- 10.6 A fellow whose fellowship has been terminated shall have the right to appeal to the Vice-Chancellor regarding such decision.
- 10.7 Upon the receipt of an appeal, the Vice-Chancellor shall refer such appeal to an Appeals Committee appointed by him/her. The Appeals Committee shall consist of three senior academics.
- 10.8 The Appeals Committee shall make its recommendations to the Senate.
- 10.9 The Council may affirm, vary or set aside the decision of the Appeals Committee, as the case may be, and the said decision of the Council in the exercise, performance and discharge of its powers, duties and functions under section 45 of the Act shall be final.

PART 11: Amendments

- 11.1 Any amendment/additions to these by-laws shall require the recommendation of the Senate and approval of the Council.

PART 12: Interpretation

Any dispute regarding the interpretation of these by-laws shall be deliberated at the Senate and recommendations therein referred to the Council whose decision shall be final.



38.1 Alumni Association of the University of Peradeniya (AAUP)

The Alumni Association of the University of Peradeniya was founded in November 1987. The first President of the Association was Prof. B.L. Panditharatne, former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya. The Chancellor of the University, is the Patron of the Association while the Vice-Patron is the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

The main objective of the Association is to provide opportunities for its alumni to interact with other alumni and with the University of Peradeniya, and to also create awareness amongst its alumni on how they may contribute to the development of their *alma-mater*, the University.

The objectives of the AAUP as laid down in the Constitution are

1. to encourage, foster and promote close relations between the University and its alumni and among the alumni themselves
2. to promote, in the alumni body, an interest in the affairs and the well-being of the University
3. to provide and disseminate information regarding the University, its graduates, Faculties and students to the alumni
4. to ensure that Programmes are initiated and developed for the benefit of the alumni
5. to assist and support the efforts of the University in obtaining funds for development
6. to serve as a medium through which alumni may support and advance the pursuit of academic excellence at the University
7. to guide and assist the alumni who have recently completed their courses of study at the University to obtain employment and to engage in productive pursuits useful to society
8. to pursue any other objectives consistent with the above aims and objectives of the Association.

Full Members

Any person who is a graduate of the University of Peradeniya (which includes the Ceylon Medical College, the University College, the University of Ceylon, the University of Ceylon-Peradeniya, the Peradeniya Campus of the University of Sri Lanka and the University of

Peradeniya, Sri Lanka), or has obtained postgraduate qualifications from the University or any graduate of a recognized University who is or has been a member of the academic or non-academic staff of the University for a minimum of three years, shall be entitled to full membership on application and payment of the prescribed fees.

Associate Members

Any past student of the University who is not entitled to be a full member or any graduate of a recognized University who is or has been a member of the academic or non-academic staff of the University or any person who is or has been a Chancellor of the University or any person who is or has been a member of the University Court or the University Council, may become an associate member. On completion of three years, associate member can apply for full membership.

Honorary Members

Any person who is not eligible for full or associate membership but has rendered distinguished service to the University or any person who has been conferred a degree honoris causa by the University, may be nominated by the Executive Committee and be elected by the Association as an honorary member.

Further information may be obtained from: General Secretary, Alumni Association of the University of Peradeniya, AAUP Office near the Student Centre, University of Peradeniya, Peradeniya.

Activities

Award of Studentships

Award of studentships for needy students is one of the items of the AAUP mandate. More than 50 studentships are awarded annually to needy students selected from Faculties. The studentships have been established through the generous contributions of AAUP members and members of AAUP chapters and other well-wishers. Details of studentships are available at www.pdn.ac.lk/alumni/studentships_and_scholarships.php

Scholarships

A total of 15 scholarships are awarded annually. These are the Professor Ashley Halpe Scholarship (1), the Prof. B.L.T. De Silva Memorial Scholarships (2), the New South Wales (PUAAN) Chapter of AAUP (9), the Mr. Y.W. Gunawardena Memorial Scholarship (1), Prof. K.N. Jayathilake Memorial Scholarship (1) and the Prof. H.W. Dias Scholarship (1). Details of scholarships are available at www.pdn.ac.lk/alumni/studentships_and_scholarships.php

Needy Students' Fund

The Professor K.N. Jayatilleke Memorial Fund for medical and other assistance to students founded by Ms. Pat Jayatilleke is available with the AAUP. Donations of equipment to different divisions of the University and textbooks to University Libraries and students have been undertaken by AAUP Chapters. The AAUP, with financial support from local and foreign Chapters of the AAUP, has now begun a Programme to support the Special Needs Resources Centre of University located at the Faculty of Arts, by way of funds for equipment, maintenance and studentships.

Fund Raising Activities

The Executive Committee organizes several activities annually towards raising funds to conduct welfare and other Programmes for students and alumni.

Professional Development of Alumni

An IELTS Programme for the benefit of the AAUP members is being conducted at the AAUP office. Tamil language classes are also arranged from time to time for alumni members and University staff.

Chapters of the AAUP

The three AAUP Chapters in Sri Lanka include those in Colombo, Ruhuna and Wayamba. The formation of AAUP Chapter in the North is in progress. All the AAUP chapters overseas support the activities of the parent AAUP body. These include four chapters in Australia, namely AAUP Western Australia Chapter, Victoria Chapter, Canberra Chapter, and New South Wales Chapter. In Canada there are two chapters; namely Ottawa Chapter of AAUP and Toronto Chapter. The AAUP has one Chapter in New Zealand. Discussions are underway on the formation of AAUP Chapter in London, UK.

AAUP Contacts

The AAUP has published its official web site at <http://www.pdn.ac.lk/alumni/>
The AAUP can be contacted through the e-mail address of aaupslk@gmail.com

Social media:

<https://www.facebook.com/Alumni.Association.University.of.Peradeniya>

Telephone numbers of the office located in the Students' Centre:

081 2068370, 071 7528593

AAUP activities, news items, member search, membership application, web contact and details of studentship and scholarships are available in our website.

38.2 Alumni Association of the Faculty of Agriculture

The Alumni Association of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya, was established under the patronage of the Dean of the Faculty by a group of well-wisher graduates. The objectives of the association include initiating Alumni Programmes for the benefit of the Faculty, and encouraging, fostering, and promoting closer relations between the Faculty and its alumni and among the alumni themselves. Since its inception the association has carried out numerous Programmes in pursuit of its objectives. The activities of the association include granting scholarships to needy undergraduates of the Faculty, dissemination of agricultural information through seminars and workshops, and supporting the fresh graduates from the Faculty to find suitable employment opportunities or higher education avenues, etc. The Association's annual get-together on the day of the annual general meeting has become a popular event among the alumni where alumni of different eras get together. Eligible graduates can obtain membership applications by writing to the Secretary, Alumni Association of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya.

38.3 Peradeniya Engineering Faculty Alumni Association (PEFAA)

The Peradeniya Engineering Faculty Alumni Association (PEFAA), formed in September 1991, is a government registered charity organization. Its main objectives are to encourage, foster and promote close relations between the Faculty and its alumni and among alumni, and also to assist and support, financially and otherwise, the Faculty and its students and alumni. Any person who has completed an undergraduate or postgraduate course in the Faculty or has been a member of the academic staff of the Faculty can be a Life Member of PEFAA. Here 'Faculty' means the Engineering Faculties of the University of Ceylon, the University of Sri Lanka (Peradeniya Campus), and the University of Peradeniya. PEFAA has its web presence at <http://www.pdn.ac.lk/eng/pefaa/> It has online member registration, search for members, search for batch mates, employment opportunities, projects that PEFAA has carried out, and PEFAA updates.

38.4 Peradeniya Medical School Alumni Association

PeMSAA - The Peradeniya Medical School Alumni Association was inaugurated in 1992. Since 1992, in collaboration with the Faculty, PeMSAA organizes an International Medical Congress once in two years, bringing together alumni from here and abroad for scientific sessions and a social get-together. A PeMSAA office has been opened in the Faculty to facilitate the activities which include assistance to students.

38.5 University of Peradeniya Science Alumni Association (UPSAA)

The University of Peradeniya Science Alumni Association (UPSAA) was formed in 2009 under the patronage of the Dean of the Faculty. The mission of the association is to communicate with and bring value to the alumni of the Faculty of Science of the University of Peradeniya and to support the Faculty actively and financially. Any individual who has received a degree, at any level, from the Faculty of Science of the University of Peradeniya or its predecessors or has received an external B. Sc. degree in Science from the University of Peradeniya or has been on the permanent staff of the Faculty for a minimum of three years, is entitled to become a member and receive all rights, privileges, and obligations of membership. Any individual who has received an honorary degree from the University of Peradeniya on a proposal made by the Faculty of Science shall be entitled to honorary membership and so accorded the rights and privileges of honorary membership. Any individual who has shown a commitment to the Faculty of Science and/or to the Association and its activities shall be accorded the rights and privileges of special membership. UPSAA is carrying out various activities for the benefit of the Faculty, the students and the alumni throughout the year and we greatly solicit and appreciate your support for these activities.

Membership forms for new members are available at the UPPSA website at <http://www.pdn.ac.lk/sci/alumni/>. Notices, announcements and pictures of the activities of UPSAA are posted in the website as well as in the UPSAA Facebook page.

38.6 Peradeniya Dental Faculty Alumni Association

The Peradeniya Dental Faculty Alumni association (PEDFAA) was established in the year 2001 and the founder president was late Prof. Malkanthi Chandrasekera. The main objective of the association was to promote and support the maintenance of high standards of dental education in Sri Lanka. The secondary objectives are to encourage, foster and promote close relations between the Dental Faculty and its alumni and among the alumni themselves, to assist and support activities which are of interest and benefit to the alumni and also to promote the interests of alumni association in the affairs of the Dental faculty and to ensure that the programmes are developed for the benefit of the alumni. Since its inception the association has carried out numerous programmes in pursuit of its objectives. The recent past, has seen some major changes to the academic programme of the Dental faculty. One such significant achievement in the recent history is the implementation of the 5 year curriculum. This move will help us to be on par with current global trends and to produce dental graduates with enhanced knowledge and skills who will be able to serve our society. In order to achieve standards of global level dental education, we are in need of a state of the art facilities and an international level conference/ lecture hall facility. In line with its primary objective PEDFAA has identified this as a priority and has launched a project to equip the space with state of the art facilities to make it an international level conference hall.

Presently, interested Dental graduates can obtain membership applications by writing to the Secretary, Alumni Association of the Faculty of Dental Sciences, University of Peradeniya.

38.7 Peradeniya Management Faculty Alumni Association

The Peradeniya Management Faculty Alumni Association was inaugurated in 2018 under the patronage of the Dean of the Faculty. The objectives of the association are to promote close relationship with Faculty and its alumni, to assist and support financially and otherwise, and contribute to the development of the Faculty. Any individual who has completed an undergraduate and postgraduate courses from the Faculty of Management of the University of Peradeniya or has been a member of the academic staff of the Faculty are entitled to become a member and receive all rights, privileges, and obligations of membership.