



Master of Library and Information Science

Course Code: MLIS
(English Medium)

MLIS 2025/2026

1). Introduction

The objective of the Master of Library and Information Science (ML&IS) program at SLQF Level 10, is to enhance the knowledge, research, and other skills of the participants, relevant to Library and Information Science and prepare them for higher degrees and specialized professional employment with an enhanced the managerial, administrative, and technological capacity. Those who complete this 60 credit ML&IS program would be able to,

- demonstrate critical awareness of current issues in Library and Information Science and be able to apply techniques relevant to the Library and Information profession.
- deal with complex issues in the Library and Information Science domain systematically and creatively and make sound judgments and communicate decisions clearly to specialist and non-specialist groups, and
- demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving problems in the Library and Information context and be able to plan and implement tasks in a professional manner.

2). Entry Qualifications

- A Degree (SLQF Levels 5 or 6) in Library and Information Science from a recognized University/Institute

OR

- Any other degree (SLQF Levels 5 or 6) from a from a recognized University/Institute, with one year experience in Library and Information Science

OR

- Full professional qualifications in Librarianship (Chartered Librarian) of the Sri Lanka Library Association or a similar organization overseas with 03 years of work experience in the executive capacity.

AND

- Satisfactory performance at a selection test and an interview to be conducted by NILIS.

3). Target Group:

Assistant Librarians of universities, and other Libraries and Information Professionals in the State and Private sector organisations.

4). Medium of Instructions: English

5). Course Content

Year One (25 Credits)	Year Two (35 Credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foundation of Library & Information Science and Information Society• Collection Management• Organization of Knowledge and Bibliographic Control• Management Principles, Information Marketing and Entrepreneurship• Research Methodology• Library Project Management• User needs, Behaviour, and user education• Project Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Library Information Systems Management• Advanced Research Methodology• New trends in LIS• Thesis

6). Evaluation Criteria

For those who complete the 12 modules with a Grade Point Value of 2.00 or above for each module, will be awarded the degree. Those who obtain a GPV score of 3.00 or more in each of the course modules will be awarded a Merit pass and those who obtain a GPV score of 3.7 or more in each of the course modules will be awarded a Distinction pass.

7). Course Fees:

For Sri Lankan students SL Rs. 268,000/= (Can be paid in two installments).

8). Schedule of dates:

Closing of Applications	04 th July 2025
Commencement of Classes	August 2025

9) How to Apply:

1. Complete the application available at our website (nilis.cmb.ac.lk)
2. Deposit Rs. 3000.00 as the Application Processing Fee to the Account No. 086100101191736 of Peoples' Bank, Thimbirigasyaya Branch, Colombo 05, Sri Lanka and attach the original receipt in the given cage in the Application Form.
3. Attach certified copies of the birth certificate, educational certificates, Bachelors and other relevant certificates, and post or handover to the Deputy Registrar of NILIS on or before **04th July 2025**.
4. An interview and a test will be held at NILIS to select the suitable applicants.

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