



Masters in Teacher Librarianship

MTL 2025/2026

1) Introduction

The MTL programme is designed for those who require a higher qualification in Teacher Librarianship to lead the school library and information resource centers, especially in the government schools. The course contents are designed in such a way that they develop an understanding and expertise in Teacher Librarianship through a series of educational experience. All students study a core of seven subjects. Each Subject will be of 40 hours duration. In addition, the students will complete a research project on a selected topic and produce a dissertation, which will be of equal weight of core subjects.

2) Entry requirements

A candidate must have one of the following qualifications as state under (i), or (ii) or (iii) of A) and B

A)

- i) A Bachelor's degree in Education or Library & Information Science with a First- or Second-Class Honours awarded by a recognized higher educational institution

OR

- ii) A Bachelor's degree in any discipline awarded by a recognized higher educational institution **and** a Postgraduate Diploma in Library & Information Science **or** Postgraduate Diploma in Teacher Librarianship awarded by University of Colombo, **or** any other Postgraduate Diploma or Degree in Library & Information Science or related discipline awarded by a recognized higher educational institution.

OR

- iii) A Bachelor's degree in any discipline awarded by a recognized higher educational institution **and** Higher diploma in Library & Information Science awarded by University of Kelaniya **or** equivalent **or** higher qualification awarded by the Sri Lanka Library Association **or** an equivalent professional body.

AND

- B)** Work experience in the education service as a School Teacher / a Teacher Librarian or in any other position.

3) Intended Learning Outcomes

- To provide a broad professional education and a solid training in professional skills, which will enable students to enter confidentially into work related to Teacher Librarianship.
- To inculcate an in-depth understanding of the principles of Teacher Librarianship, of the organization and management of school library and learning resource centers and of handling storage and retrieval of information in all media.
- To guide the students to conduct research for the development of Teacher Librarianship.

4) Course Content

- i. Teacher Librarianship
- ii. Collection Management and Organization
- iii. Information Management
- iv. Information Literacy
- v. School Library Learning Resource Centre (SLLRC) Management
- vi. Information and communication Technology for education
- vii. Research methods in education
- viii. Research.

5) Duration: One year

6) Medium of Instructions: Sinhala/ Tamil or English (A Program in any medium will be conducted only if an adequate number of students have enrolled).

7) Mode of Study: All classes will be conducted in online/onsite mode.

8) Method of Evaluation

- In each taught subject, 50% will be added from all classroom assignments/assessments/term papers etc. The balance 50% shall be added from the written examinations held at the end of the semester.

9) Evaluation Criteria

- The pass mark in each subject of the examination MTL shall be 50% or over, of the maximum mark that could have been awarded for that subject. A mark of 49% or below of the maximum mark that could have been awarded for that subject shall be treated as failure in the subjects.
- The pass mark of the project report shall be 50% out of the maximum mark of 100%.

10) Course Fees

Application Fee	Rs.1000.00
Course Fee (Payable in two instalments within the first semester. The first installment will be Rs. 70,000.00)	Rs.128,000.00

- Subject to change without prior notice

11) Date of Commencement : 2025 August

12) Process of applying.

- Download Application Form from Our Website.
- Fill the application form as clearly as possible.
- Deposit Rs.1000 as Application Processing Fee to the Account No.086100101191736 of Peoples Bank- Thimbirigasyaya Branch and paste the original receipt in the given cage in the Application Form.
- Please post the completed application and the certified copies on or before 04th July 2025 to following address.
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