



Postgraduate Diploma in Library and Information Sciences (Course Code: PGLIS)

PGLIS 2026/2027

1) Introduction

PGLIS Course is designed for the students to develop the knowledge and skills to pursue the career as a librarian or an information professional. The course contents are designed in such a way that they develop and understanding and expertise as a LIS professional through a series of educational experiences. All students study a core of seven modules. Each module will be of 40 hours of duration. In addition, the students will complete a research project on a selected topic and produce a research report which will be of equal weight of a core module.

2) Entry requirements

- a) A Degree in any subject obtained from a recognized university / Higher Education Institute OR
- b) Chartered Librarianship or an equivalent relevant professional qualification from an accredited Professional Association AND 3 years of experience in a recognized Library or Information Centre or information related field in public/private sector organization OR
- c) Any other qualification and experience acceptable to the NILIS / University.
AND
- d) Passing the selection test and interview

3) Course Objectives

- To provide a broad understanding on the principles of Library and Information Science, the organization and management of libraries and information centers and of handling, storage, and retrieval of information in all media.
- To give a broad professional education and a solid training in basic professional skills, which will enable students to enter confidentially into appropriate work environments.
- To introduce students into theory and practice for research as it is applied in the field of Library and Information Science.

4) Course Content

- 1) Library and Information Environment
- 2) Collection Management and Organization of information
- 3) Information Sources and Services
- 4) Information and Communication Technology
- 5) Management for LIS Professionals
- 6) Types of Library and Information Centers
- 7) Research Methodology
- 8) Research Report

5) **Duration:** One year

6) **Medium of Instruction:** Sinhala / Tamil / 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

- For each taught subject, 50% shall 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. The Project Report will be assigned marks out of 100%. All end of semester written examination will be held in online mode until further notice).

9) To obtain Postgraduate Diploma in LIS

- Candidates must obtain a minimum of C pass (a minimum of 50% marks) for each subject including the Research Report. Candidates who have obtained D or E for three or less subjects, should appear for the re-examination only in those subjects.

10) **Course Fees:** SL Rs. 150,000/= (Can be paid in two installments)

11) **Commencement of classes:** 2026 October

12) Process of Applying:

- Complete the Online Application at NILIS website (nilis.cmb.ac.lk) on or before 15.09.2026.
- Deposit Rs. 2000.00 as the Application Processing Fee to the Account No. 086100101191736 of Peoples' Bank, Thimbirigasyaya Branch and attach the receipt to the online application.
Course Reference No : 20601S12600

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