



Master of Philosophy / Doctor of Philosophy (MPhil/PhD)

Mphil/phD 2021/2022

1) Introduction

The PhD program offered by NILIS is the highest academic qualification awarded by the university in Library & Information Sciences. Those who demonstrate excellent research and analytical/critical thinking skills are welcome to register for the MPhil program initially and engage in research under the guidance of an expert supervisor. Those who submit a substantial amount of research to the satisfaction of the Institute, shall be upgraded to PhD level. After continuation of the research work and submission of a thesis according to the requirements indicated in the By-Law, the candidate will be considered for the award of the Doctor of Philosophy degree. Those who are interested in applying for MPhil/PhD must read the **Degree of Master of Philosophy / Doctor of Philosophy By-Law** No. 15 of 2010 carefully and follow the application process.

2 Entry Requirements

A)

- i. A Master's Degree in a relevant field of study with a substantial research component from a recognized University, or
- ii. A four-year bachelor's degree in a relevant field of study with a First or Second Class (Honours) from a recognized University, or
- iii. A Bachelor's Degree and a Postgraduate Diploma / Degree in the relevant field from a recognized University and a minimum of three years of full-time work experience in a recognized Library or Information Centre which is acceptable to the HDC;

AND

- B)** A good working knowledge of English

3) Duration: two – three years

4) Medium of Instructions: English

5) Method of Evaluation & Evaluation Criteria

Please read the Sections 5.0 and 6.0 of the By-Law

6) Course Fees

Item	Fees
Application Fee	Rs. 2000.00
Application Processing Fee	Rs. 4000.00
Provisional Registration	Rs. 50,000.00
Full Registration fee for three years (<i>if the candidates exit at MPhil level it will be Rs. 200,000.00 for a period of two years</i>)	Rs. 300,000.00
Library fee (for three years)	Rs. 15,000.00
Refundable Library Deposit	Rs. 5000.00
Annual Registration Renewal Fee (After expiration of the initial registration period)	
Registration within three months of the expiration of the registration period	Rs. 50,000.00
Registration after 06 months of the expiration of the initial registration period	Rs. 75,000.00
Registration within 03-06 months of the expiration of the initial registration period	Rs. 100,000.00

7) Date of commencements: September 2021

8) Process of applying.

- Download the Application Form from our Website.
- Fill the application form as clearly as possible and include A Concept Paper (Please read Section 3.0 of the By-Law to prepare the Concept Paper).
- Deposit the Application Fee and 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.
- Forward the application and other attachment to the.
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