



Diploma in Public Librarianship

(Course code : DPL)

DPL 2022/2023

1) Introduction

Today the Public Library is being transformed into a community development center. the social and cultural role of the public library is ever-widening beyond the traditional services like book issues, reference services, and project-based services. Therefore, it has become vital for those who already work in public libraries as well as those who would like to join a public library need a much wider knowledge of the social and cultural contexts. The Diploma in Public Librarianship intends to provide the appropriate knowledge, attitudes and skills required to fulfill the new roles and to produce a group of professionals who can shoulder the societal and cultural transformation.

2) Target Group

Those who already work in public libraries and those who would like to join a public library.

3) Entry Requirements

Passing GCE (A / L) **Old Syllabus** : Passing 04 main subjects

New Syllabus : Passing 03 main subjects

OR

Passing GCE (O/L) and the **Certificate in Public Librarianship (CPL) / Advanced certificate in in Public Librarianship (ACPL) or Advanced Certificate (ACL)** awarded by the National Institute of Library and Information Sciences.

4) Intended Learning Outcomes

After completing this course, the participants will be able to :

- Understand the new role of the Public Library,
- Identify the role of the Public Library in community-based development,
- Understand the contribution of the Public to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.
- Identify how modern information technology can be used in community development.

5) Course Contents

1. Community Development
2. Collection Management and Information Services
3. Indigenous Knowledge
4. Cultural literacy
5. Media Literacy
6. Information technology for public libraries
7. Project

6) Significance of the Program: As shown in the figure, completion of DLIM will enable to continue to Higher Diploma at SLQF Level 4.

7) **Course Duration:** 12 Months

8) **Medium of Instruction:** Sinhala OR Tamil (A program in any language will be conducted only if an adequate number of students have enrolled to study in that medium)

9) **Mode of Study:** All classes will be conducted only in online mode until further notice.

10) 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. A project report must be completed, in addition to the assignment and the written examination. All end of semester written examination (will be held at NILIS, University of Colombo, online otherwise stated.)

11) To Obtain the Diploma in Public Librarianship Certificate

An assignment must be completed for each module and a minimum of 50% or above must be obtained to pass that module. In addition, a written report on a given topic must be submitted and a minimum of 50% or above must be obtained to pass in the report.

12) Course Fees of DPL:

Total Course fee is **Rs.27900/=**. Which can be paid in Full or in Two installments as shown in the table

Installment	Amount	Due Date
First Installment	Rs.16150	Before Register to the Course.
Second Installment	Rs.11750	Before the First Semester Examination

13) Applications close on: 07th July 2022

14) Commencement of the Program: August 2022

15) Process of Applying:

1. Download the application from our website (https://nilis.cmb.ac.lk/home/news/2022/new_2022/2208/)
2. Fill the application form as clearly as possible
3. Deposit Rs. 250.00 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.
4. Enclose certified copies of the birth certificate, GCE/OL certificate(s) GCE/AL certificate and the NIC.
5. Write the Course code on top left corner of the envelope.
6. Post the application and other attachments to the.

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