Postgraduate Courses in Buddhist Studies

Department of Buddhist Studies
University of Colombo
Sri Lanka

Local Students Fees (per year)

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Foreign Students Fees (per year)

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<td>SARC and Developing Countries</td>
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MABS/ MBST Period of Application
Before 30th December in every year

Course Commencement:
July in every year

Candidates for MPhil and PhD. can register at any time of the year.

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MBST – 1st Year (7 courses and Extended Essay)

Semester I
1. MBST 6101: Research Methodology
2. MBST 6102: History of Buddhist Thought
3. MBST 6103: Theravada Tradition (History, Beliefs and Practices)
4. MBST 6104: Buddhist Philosophy of Education

Semester II
5. MBST 6206: Buddhist Approaches to Environment, Economics and Politics
6. MBST 6207: Studies in Buddhist Culture, Art and Architecture
7. MBST 6208: Buddhist Meditation, Psychology and Counseling
8. Extended Essay (4000 - 7,000 words/ Two Seminars)

MABS – 2nd Year (Dissertation)

Semester I
1. 3 Seminars
2. Thesis Proposal

Semester II
1. Dissertation (40000-50000 Word)

Academic Staff
1. Prof. Oliver Abeynayake - Emeritus Professor, Buddhist and Pali University, Homagama.
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Introduction

The University of Colombo, which is one of the best South Asian universities has eight faculties with forty five academic departments, a Campus, a School, six Institutes and several centers and units. As the oldest university in Sri Lanka the University of Colombo with a proud history of over 145 years continues in its endeavor to meet the challenges of maintaining its position as the most prestigious University, modern and international in outlook and character. Its location affords the student population all the advantages of a metropolitan university, with easy access to international information/resource centers, libraries, theatres, sports complexes etc.

Buddhist Studies

Being an academic Centre, par excellence, with a long and prestigious record of reputation, University of Colombo can be considered a cynosure of Buddhist studies. The Department of Buddhist Studies is offering Postgraduate Diploma, Master of Arts, Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies, with the aim of developing, broadening and enriching its outlook and context to suit the modern needs. This expansion of the scope of teaching made it necessary to make use of the services not only of the permanent academic staff, but also of the services of visiting lecturers as well as of retired academics, who are experts in Pali and Buddhist studies.

Masters in Buddhist Studies – MBST (1 Year)

Minimum Entry Qualifications:

(i) A Bachelor Degree from a recognized university/Institution in a field relevant to the Buddhist Studies

or

(ii) Any other Bachelor Degree with one year work experience relevant to the Buddhist Studies.

(iii) Any other qualification/experience which are deemed by the Senate to be equivalent to the qualifications specified above (i) and (ii) and

(iv) Satisfactorily performance at an interview and or a selection test to be conducted by the Department.

Master of Arts in Buddhist Studies - MABS (2 Year)

Minimum Entry Qualifications:

(i) A Bachelor Degree from a recognized university/Institution in a field relevant to the Buddhist Studies; or

(ii) Any other Bachelor Degree with one year’s work experience relevant to the Buddhist Studies; or

(iii) A pass at the final examination of Sri Lanka Oriental Studies Society; or

(iv) Any other qualification/ experience which are deemed by the Senate to be equivalent to the qualifications specified above I, II and III.

Master of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies (MPhil)

Minimum Entry Qualifications:

(i) A First or Second Class (upper) division honors in the Special Degree in Buddhist Studies or in a relevant subject from this university or any other recognized university; or

(ii) First Class honors in the General Arts Degree Examination having offered Buddhist Studies or any other relevant subject acceptable to the University of Colombo from a recognized university; or

(iii) Successful completion of two Year Master’s Degree in Buddhist Studies or a relevant subject with a substantial research component from a recognized university; or

(iv) Successful completion of one year master’s degreeof Buddhist Studies or any other relevant subject with either five years of post-qualifying experience and publications in the referred journals that is acceptable to theHigher Degree Committee. and

(v) A good working knowledge in English.

Doctor of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies

Minimum Entry Qualifications:

(i) A Master of Philosophy degree in Buddhist Studies from this University or an any other recognized University where the study program is not less than two years full- time in duration; or

(ii) A Bachelor’s Degree in the relevant field of study with a Master’s Degree of not less than two years duration, with at least one year research component which can be accepted by the Higher Degree Committee. and

A good working knowledge in English; or

(iv) Registered first as a candidate for the Degree of Master of Philosophy in Buddhist Studies in the Faculty of Arts and to pursue from approved program of research for a period of at least twelve months so that the findings of such research should be presented to the satisfaction of the expert panel appointedby the Faculty of Arts.