

The objective of the Course is to provide an opportunity to study human rights to those whose activities will have a positive impact on the promotion and protection of Rights or those who wish to pursue a career in the promotion and protection of Rights. The course is primarily for those who have not had an opportunity of obtaining a structured understanding of human rights issues.

Fee Structure for Certificate Courses

Application Fee	Rs. 250/=
Course Fee	Rs. 30,000/=

Applications can be downloaded from
cshr.cmb.ac.lk

Duly Completed Applications along with relevant copies of certificates and documents should be submitted by registered post to,

The Director,
Centre for the Study of Human Rights
Faculty of Law, University of Colombo,
94, Cumarathunga Muninidasa Mawatha,
Colombo 03.

Application Deadline
25 January 2023

Centre for the Study of Human Rights

Centre for the Study of Human Rights (CSHR), was established in 1991 in response to extensive human rights violations in Sri Lanka at the time period. It was set up as a non-profit organisation within the Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, with the objective of making the public aware of their rights and remedies for the violation of rights. CSHR has been a pioneer of human rights education for 30 years with its mandate of Human Rights Education, Research and Capacity Building.

The CSHR continues to believe in the primary goal of Human Rights Education as a vital component in building a Human Rights culture throughout society; where the principles of peace, respect for diversity, and economic and social justice are maintained. This goal is pursued through the content and methods employed in the educational programmes of the CSHR. CSHR offers Advanced training programmes, Certificate Courses, Diploma programmes Higher Diploma, Postgraduate programme and Masters under CSHR Education Programmes.

The CSHR's goal is to create a nation with a rights consciousness in which the dignity and rights of all people are respected.



CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF HUMAN RIGHTS UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO

CERTIFICATE IN LAW AND THE CITIZEN

Three Month Programme

SLQF 01
10 CREDITS



Upholding 30 Years of Excellence in Human Rights Education & Research
Centre for the Study of Human Rights
Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Certificate in Law and the Citizen

Introduction

This course is an introduction to Law and the Citizen (Cert. in Law and the Citizen). It focuses on the very basics of the relevant areas, particularly emphasizing the most important aspects, namely history and background of Law, domestic law, fundamental rights, Criminal and Civil laws, norms, and principles related to Law mechanisms of implementing these regimes.

The course is intended to not only give the participants an introduction to Law, policies and standards, but also as a foundation course for Diploma level courses offered by the CSHR, University of Colombo and to serve as a stepping stone for developing expertise in specialized areas of human rights and practice. This is an effort to accomplish the mission of the University of Colombo and has been designed to meet the mission of the Centre for the study of Human Rights, University of Colombo.

Target Group

The primary target group of this course is the employees of public and private sector, human rights activists and other interested candidates, who keen to know the basics of Law such as University and school students (who have completed junior secondary level – Grade 09).

Course Structure: (Summary)

The core units of the course will consist of the following:

01. An Introduction to Law
02. Legal System of Sri Lanka
03. Courts System of Sri Lanka
04. Branches of Laws
05. The Constitution
06. Criminal Justice System and Institutions
07. The Democracy and Rule of Law

Medium of Instruction: Sinhala and Tamil

Course Structure and Contents

This course is designed based on the credit value system of **Sri Lanka Qualification Framework Level 1 (SLQF 3)**.

Assessment will consist of individual presentation and a final assignment.

Admission Requirements:

- a) Completion of junior secondary level, which is Grade 9 or an equivalent.

OR
- b) Completion of primary education and certified work experience equivalent to a minimum period of two years in a particular field may also be considered as an equivalent qualification for admission to SLQF level 1 provided that the applicant is at least 16 years of age.

Academic Resource Pool

The resource pool will be comprised of highly qualified members of academia, practitioners and professionals from the field.

Director

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