The Open University of Sri Lanka

Foundation Courses for Science and
Engineering Degree Programmes

Studying at The Open University of Sri Lanka

The Open University of Sri Lanka (OUSL) is the premier National University in the country which offers degree/ diploma/ certificate programs and other courses through open and distance learning methodology.

The "Credit Certificates for Foundation Courses in Science" offered by the OUSL provide an opportunity for any person who wishes to obtain a degree in Science or Engineering. Passes in Credit Certificates for Foundation Courses in Science are accepted in lieu of G.C.E. Advance Level passes required for admission to the relevant the Degree Programmes of The Open University of Sri Lanka.

Entry requirements for Credit Certificates for Foundation Courses in Science

1. At least six (6) passes at G.C.E (O/L) examination including Mathematics and Science, **or** any other higher qualification acceptable to the Senate.

2. Over 18 years of age

Medium of Instruction

All three national languages (Sinhala, Tamil and English)

Course Duration

2 Years (Level1 – one year and Level 2 -one year)

Course Structure

The subjects offered under the Credit Certificates for Foundation Courses in Science are Biology, Chemistry, Combined Mathematics and Physics. Students who complete three foundation subjects in Level 1 and Level 2 (6 courses in Level 1 and 6 courses in Level 2) are qualified to register for Science or Engineering Degree programmes at the OUSL.

Level 1			Level 2		
Course Code	Course Title	Credits rates	Course Code	Course Title	Credits rates
Semester 1			**Semester 1**		
MAF1501	Mathematics 1	5	MAF2501	Mathematics 3	5
TAF1501	Physics 1	5	TAF2501	Physics 3	5
CMF1501	Chemistry 1	5	CMF2501	Chemistry 3	5
BZF1501	Biology 1	5	BZF2501	Biology 3	5
Semester 2			**Semester 2**		
MAF1502	Mathematics 2	5	MAF2502	Mathematics 4	5
TAF1502	Physics 2	5	TAF2502	Physics 4	5
CMF1502	Chemistry 2	5	CMF2502	Chemistry 4	5
BZF1502	Biology 2	5	BZF2502	Biology 4	5
Total for Level 1		**30 ***	**Total for Level 2**		**30 ***

(* Each student may register for up to three disciplines only)

Students who wish to pursue a **Degree in Science** stream should complete Physics and Chemistry with Combined Mathematics or Biology at the foundation courses.

Students who wish to pursue a **Degree in Engineering** should complete Physics and Chemistry with Combined Mathematics at foundation courses.

Criteria of Exemptions

Students who followed the Physical or Biological science streams at the G.C.E.(A/L), but unsuccess, can sit the exemption test conducted by the OUSL and successful candidates will be exempted from First year (Level 1) courses as mention below.

Courses to exempted		Criterion
Course	**Code**	
Mathematics 1 Mathematics 2	MAF1501 MAF1502	Followed the GCE (Advanced Level) Combined Mathematics/Pure Mathematics and Applied Mathematics; and at least 40% of the marks at the Exemption Test conducted by the OUSL.
Physics 1 Physics 2	TAF1501 TAF1502	Followed the GCE (Advanced Level) and at least 40% of the marks at the Exemption Test conducted by the OUSL.
Chemistry 1 Chemistry 2	CMF1501 CMF1502	Followed the GCE (Advanced Level) Chemistry or an equivalent subject as approved by the relevant Faculty and at least 40% of the marks at the Exemption Test conducted by the OUSL.
Biology 1 Biology 2	BZF1501 BZF1502	Followed the GCE (Advanced Level) Biology/Botany and Zoology; or an equivalent subject as approved by the relevant Faculty and at least 40% of the marks at the Exemption Test conducted by the OUSL.

Fee Structure

The tuition fee for one subject (10 credits) is Rs.10,000. The tuition fee can be paid in installments. The first installment should be paid at the time of registration with the registration fee and Facility fee of Rs.7,900.

Number of courses (Level1/2)	Registration & Facility Fee (Rs.)	Payment at the time of Registration (Rs.)	2nd Installment (Rs)
1-Subject (10 Credit)	1,900.00	7,900.00	4,000.00
2- Subjects (20 Credit)	1,900.00	13,900.00	8,000.00
3- Subjects (30 Credit)	1,900.00	19,900.00	12,000.00

Applications

Online Applications are available from 30th September to 30th October 2018

Those who need assistance in filling the on-line application form can visit any one of the following OUSL Regional and Study Centers to obtain information and assistance in the online application process. Colombo (Nawala), Anuradhapura, Batticaloa, Jaffna, Kandy (Polgolla), Matara (Nupe), Badulla, Kurunegala, Ambalangoda, Ampara, Bandarawela, Gampaha, Galle, Ambalantota, Hatton, Trincomalee, Kilinochchi, Mulative, Kalutara, Kegalle, Monaragala, Polonnaruwa, Puttalam, Ratnapura and Vavuniya

Exemption Test

Exemption Test scheduled to be held on 10th and, 11th November 2018 in all Regional and study centers of the OUSL (except Kuliyapitiya)

Admissions for the Exemption Test can be downloaded by the applicants, after receiving the notification SMS from the Open University of Sri Lanka
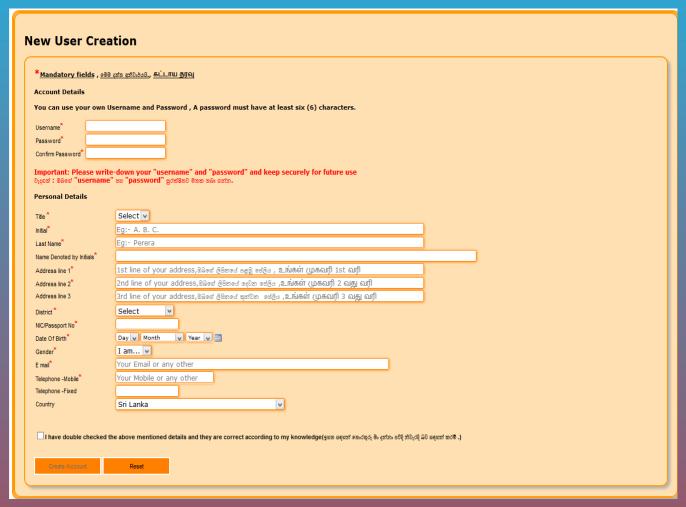
Online Application Process Guide

STEP 1- First you need to create an online login account. Then only you can proceed to submit your application online..

- In the internet browser type: payment.ou.ac.lk   or In the OUSL homepage (www.ou.ac.lk) click on the 'Apply Online' It will direct you following screen
- Register ONCE by creating a new account. In order to do this, click on "create new account" as per the instructions given in the page
- If you are an existing OUSL student with a previous on-line account with us, simply enter your login account details below (i.e.. Username and Password) and click 'Login' to proceed.

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Online Application Process

1. New Applicants

If you are a new applicant for an OUSL porgramme, you should only register once by creating a new account. To do that, click Create New Account.
Once you create your account, you can log in by entering your Username and Password.

2. Returning Applicants

If you are an existing OUSL student with a previous on-line account with us, simply enter your login account details below (ie. Username and Password) and click 'Login' to proceed.

Username	
Password	

Login

Create New Account

- You need to provide information considered as MANDATORY including username and password as per the instructions given in the page and submit (sample screen shown in the below).

STEP 2- If you are successfully created the account or you are an existing OUSL student with a previous on-line account with us, simply enter your login account (ie. Username and Password) and click 'Login' to proceed in login screen.

- After successfully login , click on "Add New Application" button in the main menu,

- Then you will direct in to flowing screen and here you need to select Foundation Program and your preferred center and medium.

- **IMPORTANT** -For the subject combination and for the exemption test you need to put the correct subject code number in OTHER QULIFICATION BOX in the below part of the screen.

SUBJECT CODE AS FOLLOWS FOR THE EXEMPTION TEST

1 FOR BIOLOGY, 2 FOR CHEMISTRY, 3 FOR MATHAMATICS, and 4 FOR PHYSICS

Example: IF YOUR SUBJECT COMBINATION IS Chemistry, Biology and Physics YOUR SUBJECT NUMBER CODE SHOULD BE 214 and you need to put 214 in OTHER QULIFICATION BOX in the application

- If you do not have GCE A/L indicate "NO" in GCE A/L QULIFICATION BOX.

Then Click apply & pay button and confirmed the application

STEP 3 – Application Fee Payment

- Then you automatically direct the payment method selection screen as shown in the below screen.
- Select the payment method as your preference and proceed with the instruction given in the page

Select Your Payment Method

Credit Card Payment

Cash Payment

Credit Card Payment Instructions

1. Click the Credit card payment option above.
2. You can use credit/debit card (on-line payment activated)for payments.
3. We accept only "Mastercard" or "Visa" type credit/debit cards

Cash payment Instructions

1. Click the Cash payment option above.
2. Note the application number which will display under the application details.
3. Make the payment to a OUSL center and make sure to obtain payment receipt.

eZ Cash Payment

mCash Payment   **For more information**

eZ Cash payment Instructions

1. Click the eZcash payment option above.
2. Enter a valid Dialog eZcash number and pin code.
3. Click submit to pay.

mCash payment Instructions

1. Click the mCash payment option above.
2. Enter a valid Mobitel mCash number and pin code.
3. Click submit to pay.