

The PGIE

The Postgraduate Institute of English (PGIE) was established in December 2005 at the Open University of Sri Lanka (OUSL) to provide for the enhancement of English Education in Sri Lanka.

It is the only institution of its kind in the country and that provides a leadership role in postgraduate English education. In a relatively short time the institute has produced a sizeable cohort of MA students and contributed to formulation of guidelines and best-practices in the field of English education. The institute is known for its rigorous academic standards and our students are employed both locally and overseas in various capacities contributing to the field of English studies.

The Vision

To be a leader, renowned for academic excellence and research in English Language Teaching and English Education, enhancing professional and pedagogical skills across the country to meet changing needs.

The Mission

To provide opportunities for and support excellence in English Language Teaching and English Education at postgraduate level through scholarship and research; through influencing the development and implementation of national policy in English Language Teaching and English Education, and by providing new direction to English studies at national level.

Our Programmes

The PGIE currently offers a Postgraduate Diploma and a Master of Arts degree in the fields of Teaching English as a Second Language, and Teaching Literature (in a Second Language Context). It also offers two Postgraduate Diplomas in Bilingual Education, and Professional Practice in English. It also offers a range of medium-term and short-term courses, training, and workshops.

The MA in TLSC

This is the only postgraduate programme in Sri Lanka focusing on literature education and is designed with the specific aim of providing theoretical and practical knowledge in literature teaching.

Students can opt to exit the programme with a Postgraduate Diploma.

TLSC Course Content

Cluster I Foundational Skills and Concepts

PGP8304 - Reading Critically
(3 credits)

PGP9401 - Basic Literary Concepts and
Introduction to Literary Theory
(4 credits)

PGP8101 - Academic Writing
(1 credit)

Cluster II Literature and Criticism

PGP9402 - The Novel and Short Fiction
(4 credits)

PGP8305 - Poetry
(3 credits)

PGP9403 - Drama
(4 credits)

Cluster III Pedagogy

PGP9501 - Pedagogical Issues in Teaching
Literature
(5 credits)

PGP9301 - Assessment and Evaluation in
Literature
(3 credits)

PGP8306 - Teaching Literature in an
English Language Teaching
Context
(3 credits)

Total credits for PGDip in TLSC - 30 credits

Cluster IV Research and Curriculum Development

PGPA601 - Research Methodology
(6 credits)

PGPA401 - Advanced Research
Communication
(4 credits)

PGPAK01 - Dissertation
(20 credits)

Total credits for MA in TLSC - 60 credits

What we offer our students

Highly qualified teaching faculty with years of practical experience, including leading figures in English drama, poetry and fiction.

A mix of distance and face-to-face learning that allows learners to structure and pace their learning according to their needs.

Access to the Open University's Library in Nawala, Nugegoda with one of the best English Language Teaching related collections in the country.

Course fees

Tuition Fee

Rs. 3,150.00 per credit

Examination Fee

Rs. 315.00 per credit

Part I (1st Year) - 30 Credit units

Tuition Fee = Rs. 94,500.00

Examination Fee = Rs. 9450.00

Part II (2nd Year)

Tuition Fee = Rs. 31,500.00

Examination Fee = Rs. 3150.00

Dissertation Fee = Rs. 63,000.00
(20 credit units)

Other Fees

Registration Fee Rs. 800.00

Supplementary Fee Rs. 600.00

Total Course Fee for PGDip in TLSC - Rs. 105,350.00

Total Course Fee for MA in TLSC - Rs. 203,000.00

In addition, registration fees and supplementary fees will be charged annually on renewal of registration.

The above rates are subject to revision annually.

All amounts are in Sri Lankan rupees (LKR).

Who is it for ?

- ✎ Teachers of English Literature
- ✎ Teachers of English Language
- ✎ Teachers of Speech and Drama
- ✎ Those interested in literary studies

Course Objectives

- ✎ To provide a critical appreciation of the discipline of literature and its attendant analytical and critical practices.
- ✎ To develop the ability to appreciate, critique and teach literary material from a wide range of genres and cultural and historical contexts.
- ✎ To address difficulties unique to teaching literature in a second language context.

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