

AMENDMENTS TO NANDANI DE SILVA GOLD MEDAL FOR THE BEST STUDENT IN BACHELOR OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

To recognise outstanding academic performance in the BMLS Degree Programme, the Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences established a Gold Medal in 2017, to be annually awarded to the best student in the Degree Programme at the Convocation, approved as per the Council Memo No: VV/351/09/06.

From 2018/2019, the BMLS Degree Programme would be offered as an Honours Degree, conforming to the Sri Lanka Qualification Framework (SLQF) guidelines. Accordingly, the Department seeks approval to change the name of the above Gold Medal to accurately reflect this minor change, and to award a cash prize of Rs. 5000/-, to be effective from the Academic Year 2018/2019.

The amendments are underlined for easy reference.

- 1) Name of the award: Nandani de Silva Gold Medal for the best student in Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Sciences Honours.
- 2) Nature of the award: A Gold Medal, a Cash prize of Rs. 5000/- and a Certificate shall be awarded at the annual General Convocation to the student having the best overall performance at the BMLS degree programme.
- 3) Information on the endowment: Gold Medal shall be funded through the endowment fund established with an initial deposit of Rs. 150,000/-. This initial deposit shall be enhanced by transferring Rs. 100,000/- from the Faculty of Health Sciences Awards Fund.
- 4) Criteria for selection

To qualify for the Gold Medal, a student should have:

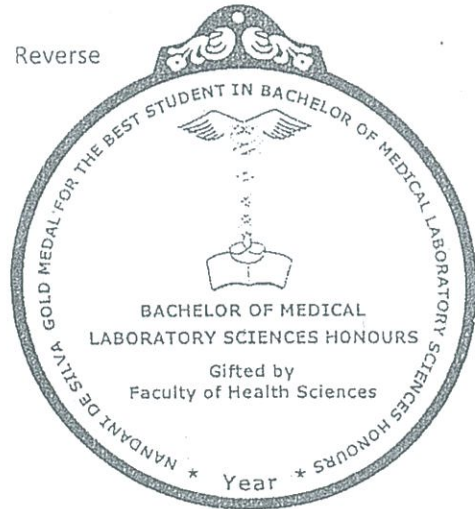
- a) satisfied the criteria for the award of the BMLS Honours Degree, and,
- b) obtained a minimum GPA of 3.70 for courses considered for award of degree at Levels 4, 5 & 6, and,
- c) obtained the highest GPA for b) above

If more than one student qualifies based on above criteria, the number of A grades or higher will be considered to select the winner. In the event of a tie based on the number of A grades or higher, the Gold Medal shall be awarded to each winner individually, with the cash prize shared between the joint winners.


A student who has been found guilty of any examination offence or offence related to any disciplinary matter shall not be eligible for the Gold Medal.

Any amendments to the criteria for the award of the Gold Medal shall be made with the approval of the Faculty Board/Health Sciences and Senate, with prior notice.

- 5) Design of the Gold Medal



Recommended for approval of the Faculty Board.

Head/MLS:  Head
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Recommended for approval of the Senate.

Dean/Health Sciences

Date: