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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT



Welcome to the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. The Department remains one of the leading departments providing the nation with professionally qualified criminologists and administrators. Specializing in undergraduate study in the field of criminology and criminal justice, the department targets practitioners desirous of developing their skills in criminal justice administration policy and research in social issues.

As the first and only criminology and criminal justice department in the government higher education system in Sri Lanka, other than the Honors and General Degrees, Postgraduate studies and more than six non-graduate courses, including diplomas, are available for students in different education levels.

As the first batch of the Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology, I would like to welcome you all again and invite you to take advantage of the experience you are about to start.

Dr. Sunil Rajaneththi
Senior Lecturer in Criminology and Criminal Justice
Head of the Department
Coordinator – DCIMT

MESSAGE FROM THE CO-COORDINATOR



Welcome to the Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology, re-writing the academic history of the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, as the first batch. After establishing the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice in 2016, with the dedication of former heads, Professor M.W. Jayasundara, Senior Lecturer Anuruddhika Buddhadasa, and academic staff, the Department has accomplished different academic and non-academic achievements within a short period.

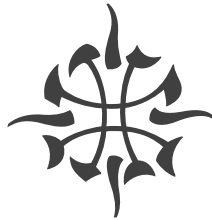
While completing the social responsibility by releasing Criminology and Criminal Justice graduates annually, introducing six diploma courses for non-university students is another crucial step taken to disseminate criminology knowledge to society. The Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology results from a long-term plan of fulfilling social responsibility that should be admitted as a government University.

I wish you all the best in your future endeavours!

Nishani Ranaweera

Senior Lecturer in Criminology and Criminal Justice

Co-Coordinator - DCIMT



MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT

Enhancement of quality of criminal justice and assurance of crime-free social life by means of academic programmes, research works and professional practice in the field of criminology and criminal justice.

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

The University of Sri Jayewardenepura, situated in the heart of Colombo boasts of a long and glorious history. Having been established in the 1959 at Gangodawila, its roots can be traced back to the Vidyodaya Pirivena established in 1873 by Hikkaduwe Sri Sumangala Thero at Maligakanda. Today the University pays homage to 60 years of history while paying tribute to journey of 145 years.

The University of Sri Jayewardenepura formerly known as Vidyodaya Pirivena was the essence of the revival of Sri Lankan Education. It is the second oldest University in Sri Lanka and the first University established in Independent Ceylon.

Today the University stands strong with eight faculties, faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Faculty of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, Faculty of Medical Sciences, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Technology and its latest addition Faculty of Allied Health Sciences. The University is home to over 12,000 Undergraduates, over 1000 postgraduate students. It is considered the largest University in terms of Student Population in Sri Lanka.

The University is also in the forefront of research and innovation with a research council of over 20 research centres and an Invention, Innovation and Venture Creation Council with over 50 Entrepreneurs and stakeholders with over 15 patents.

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The University has also maintained cordial relationship with many international bodies of education and have signed over 60 MoUs with recognized internationally acclaimed universities; and over 60 MoUs with established international and local companies, the University strives to give its students an international experience, offering student exchange programmes and internships.

Throughout the years the University of Sri Jayewardenepura has managed to develop in many areas expanding its horizons and will continue this journey reaching many milestones that will no doubt ensure that the University will produce smart, efficient, skillful and professional individuals that will aid in the development of our mother nation.

(<https://www.sjp.ac.lk/about-2/>)



Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences is the only Department of this nature in Sri Lanka. Approximately three decades ago, with the initiative and guidance of our late Senior Professor Nandasena Rathnapala, the Criminology and Criminal Justice degree programme initiated under the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Crime has been acknowledged as a significant social issue in many societies. Hence, the ever-rising crime wave must be arrested to ensure the quality of individuals' social lives. As a way of approaching this prime social goal, criminology and criminal justice have been introduced not only as a multi-disciplinary social and behavioural science, but also as an empirical social science.

Under the administration of its qualified staff, the Department aims to educate and train its undergraduates in various specialized criminological and criminal justice subject areas and to provide them with required training. The Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice offers Special and General Degree Programmes in Criminology and Criminal Justice for undergraduates. The undergraduates who appear under this Department can organize various activities by being members of the "Society of Criminology and Criminal Justice" and improve as well as sharpen their soft skills.

Academic Staff



- **Dr. Sunil Rajaneththi**

Head of the Department

Senior Lecturer

BA (Hons), MA (USJ), MA, PhD (Hamburg)



- **Prof. W.M. Danapala**

Professor

BA (Hons), MPhil (USJ), MA (Hitotsubashi)



- **Prof. M.W. Jayasundara**

Associate Professor

BA (Hons) (USJ), MA (Simon Fraser)



Ms. M.P.A. Anuruddhika Buddhadasa

Senior Lecturer

BA (Hons) (USJ), MA (Simon Fraser)

Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice



- **Mr.A.R.P.Chanaka Udayakumara**
Senior Lecturer
BA (Hons), MA (USJ)



- **Dr. (Ms.) B.V.N. Wijewardhana**
Senior Lecturer
BA (Hons), PGD in Counselling (Colombo) MPhil,
PhD (USJ)



- **Dr. Sunil Rathnayake**
Senior Lecturer
BA (Hons), MA, PhD (USJ)



- **Ms. Nishani Ranaweera**
Senior Lecturer
BA (Hons) MPhil (USJ)



- **Ms. Kaushalya Hewawasam**
Lecturer (Probationary)
BA (Hons) MPhil (USJ)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

The overall aim of the programme

The University of Sri Jayewardenepura is offering a one-year Diploma Programme in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology for the benefit of non-graduate students and employees. Hence, this will be an excellent opportunity for the students to increase their employability on the one hand and for the employed participants to get qualified in the criminal investigation and modern technology field and to serve their institutes in a more professional way than others. This will widen the scope for reciprocally beneficial structural and educational development from long-term collaboration, enabling other network co-operation initiatives, furthering research and development skills, and transfer opportunities between the stakeholders and the beneficiaries of the program.

Key Features of the Programme

Program title	Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology
Final award	Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology
Sri Lanka Qualification Framework (SLQF) Level	Level 3
Exit Award/Fall-back Award, if any	Students should complete the Diploma within two years
Program Code	DCIMT
Awarding institution/body/university	University of Sri Jayewardenepura
Teaching Department	Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
Language of study and assessment	Sinhala
Method of study (Full-time/Part-time/Split/Other)	Part time
Mode of teaching/delivery (Direct classroom teaching/online/distance etc.)	Direct classroom teaching/Online
Total no of notional hours	1500
Credit value of the program	30
Maximum and minimum period of registration	Three months from the application closing

<p>Criteria for admission to the program (including SLQF level)</p>	<p>1. General Certificate of Education (Advanced level) or an equivalent qualification, or 2. A foundation course equivalent to SLQF level 2 after a minimum of 12 years of schooling followed by passing an aptitude test, or 3. Completion of NVQF level 4 or accredited work experience in the field of Criminology and Criminal Justice (Sri Lanka Customs, Police, Probation etc.) or accredited prior learning followed by a corresponding cognitive bridging a programme of minimum 30 credits as determined by the academic authority of the HEI AND 4. Pass the aptitude test or the interview.</p>
<p>Length/duration of the program</p>	<p>1 Year</p>
<p>Progression</p>	<p>Completion of Diploma in Criminal Investigation and Modern Technology (DCIMT) meets the minimum entry requirement for a qualification in Higher Diploma in Criminology and Criminal Justice.</p>

Course Structure

Course Code	Course Title	C r e d i t	Notional Hours	
			Direct Contact hours)	Self-learning
1st Semester				
DCIMT 1110	Criminology Theory and Criminal Justice Process	3	45	150
DCIMT 1120	Sri Lankan Society, Culture Kinship and Crime	3	45	150
DCIMT 1130	Criminal Investigation Theory and Concept	3	45	150
DCIMT 1140	Criminal Law and Judicial Process	3	45	150
DCIMT 1150	Grave Crime Scene Investigation	3	45	150
2nd Semester				
DCIMT 1210	Criminological Research Methods and Independent Research Study	3	45	150
DCIMT 1220	Investigating and Modern Technology	3	45	150
DCIMT 1230	Forensic Criminal Investigation	3	45	150
DCIMT 1240	Police Public Relation and Criminal Investigation	3	45	150
DCIMT 1250	GIS Crime Mapping, Crime Prevention and Control	3	45	150

Assessment and evaluation criteria of the programme

Range of Marks	Letter Grade	GPA	Interpretation	Standing of the Pass
85-100	A+	4.00	Outstanding	Merit
70 -84	A	4.00	Excellent	
65 -69	A-	3.70	Excellent	
60 -64	B+	3.30	Very Good	
55 -59	B	3.00	Good	Pass
50 -54	B-	2.70	Good	
45 -49	C+	2.30	Fair	
40 -44	C	2.00	Sufficient	
35 -39	C-	1.70	Insufficient	Referred Pass
30 -34	D+	1.30	Unsatisfactory	
25 -29	D	1.00	Fail	Fail
0 – 24	E	0.00	Fail	

- Lectures and practical's of the Diploma are to be completed in about 52 weeks. The final examination of the particular course unit will be held within one week upon full completion of its lectures and practicals.
- For each course unit, there are two types of assessments. The assessments held between the first lecture and the last lecture are called 'Continuous Assessments'. The assessment held after all the lectures of a particular course are over is called 'Overall Assessment'.
- An exact date for any Assessment will be announced at least 07 -14 days prior to the Assessment.
- A candidate can face any Continuous Assessments only once, unless for a medical reason.
- The Continuous Assessments will be limited to a maximum of 20% to 40% of the total marks.
- They are called 'First Overall Assessment' and 'Repeat Overall Assessment'. All the candidates should face the First Overall Assessment. Those who gets "E" Grade of the total marks in any course unit should face the Second Overall Assessment provided the full compliance with the relevant conditions mentioned on this prospectus.
- After the completion of lectures, there will be a 2 – 3 hours Final Overall Assessment in the form of a written examination for

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each course unit. The final written examination will be limited to a maximum of 60% to 80% of the total marks.

- The Pass Mark for each credit course is 40% (Minimum “C” Grade) of the total marks in the case of course units (Semesters 1 and 2), and 55% (Minimum “B” Grade) of the total marks for the Criminological Research Methods and Independent Research Study.
- A candidate who repeats a course will be given a maximum of 40 marks for the repeat course unit.

TEACHING AND LEARNING IN THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Although the Diploma programmes' proposal was approved for face-to-face classroom teaching and learning, the prevailing situation converted it to the online. As the initial step, online selection interviews were held, after proper video guidance, to confirm the technology usage of the candidates, and the interview-based research clarified that more than 90% of the candidates were familiar with the online learning process.

The teaching process will be consisted according to the following steps.

The link (Zoom or Teams) will be shared in the WhatsApp group.

Students should click on the link and enter the lecture on time (Latecomers are not welcome).

Students should rename their accounts with the **Registration number and Name with initials** as the attendance are to be counted. (Ex: 456 – K.B.D Rathnayaka).

Lectures will be recorded, and the links to recorded lectures and other reading materials will be shared within the group.

Sharing the link of the lecture sessions and the recording with non-diploma students is a punishable offence by the University. If someone proved guilty, the person will be suspended and considered as blacklisted.

ASSESSMENTS

- All examinations will be conducted online. Exam papers are to be shared in the WhatsApp group according to a pre-planned timetable.
- Students should write answers from home as open book tests and should send us via email within 5 hours as a scanned pdf version (a workshop is to be conducted regarding the procedure).
- All students should own a valid email address.
- If the university was re-opened as usual within one year, all exams would be held physically at the university premises.
- Offenses related to the examinations remain the same, and Department has the authority to take any action related to the examination irregularities.

FEES AND PAYMENTS

- An account number will be given to each student to pay the course fees of LKR 65,000.00 excluding the application fees.
- One month will be given to complete the payments.
- A copy of the payment receipt should be submitted to the Department.
- Installment payments are not available.

THE TEAM - DCIMT

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Campus Diary