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## Greetings from the Dean



I warmly welcome you to the Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka. Congratulations on being selected to pursue your higher education in the field of medicine. It is a privilege to enter a medical school, within which you will transform yourself to be a clinician, researcher, scientist, teacher, administrator or a mix of them.

Medical profession expects you to hold the highest degree of personal responsibility and integrity at all instances. During this period of training you are also expected to groom yourself to be a role model for the society.

We are well equipped to provide you with an outstanding learning experience. Adequate numbers of teaching learning facilities, laboratories and the state-of-the art professorial teaching unit together with the well qualified, dedicated and enthusiastic teachers will assure you one of the best medical training programs in the country.

As we get students from all corners of the island you will be well exposed to social, cultural and ethnic diversity. We expect you to use this opportunity to nurture the traits of living in harmony respecting each other's socio-cultural norms.

We maintain a rich culture of sports and extracurricular activities within the faculty. We expect all our students to get involved in them and to enjoy the undergraduate life believing that it would help to produce more humane and balanced medical professionals. The Faculty is dedicated to ensure a supportive, caring, respectful, fair and a dynamic environment for learning which would facilitate you to become a caring and knowledgeable physician.

The Student Handbook gives a comprehensive account on relevant faculty policies and programs that affect your day-to-day functions. It also will guide you on your study program. I recommend you to go through this document carefully and get a glimpse of resources available, rules and regulations as well as the study program that you are to embark on, during the period of your induction program and use this as a reference document at all times.

To enhance your training, the administration and the faculty are prepared to review and modify procedures and programs to improve the overall effectiveness. Hence, I encourage you to liaise closely with the staff and the administration whenever you face difficulties.

Medical education is a lifelong process and never ends at graduation. Therefore, we expect you to develop necessary skills of lifelong learning and continuous professional development during your stay at the faculty.

I wish you an enjoyable, fruitful and a rewarding stay at the faculty.

Dr. Senaka Pilapitiya

MBBS(Col), MD(Medicine)(Col), PGCME(Col), Diploma in Ayurveda(SL)

Senior Lecturer in Medicine & Consultant Physician

## The Declaration of Geneva

The Declaration of Geneva was adopted by the General Assembly of the World Medical Association at Geneva in 1948 and amended in 1968, 1984, 1994, 2005 and 2006. It is a declaration of a physicians' dedication to the humanitarian goals of medicine, a declaration that was especially important in view of the medical crimes which had been committed in Nazi Germany. The Declaration of Geneva was intended as a revision of the Hippocratic Oath and a formulation of its moral truths that could be comprehended and acknowledged by modern society.

The Declaration of Geneva, as it's currently amended, reads:

At the time of being admitted as a member of the medical profession:

- I solemnly pledge to consecrate my life to the service of humanity;
- I will give to my teachers the respect and gratitude that is their due;
- I will practice my profession with conscience and dignity;
- The health of my patient will be my first consideration;
- I will respect the secrets that are confided in me, even after the patient has died;
- I will maintain by all the means in my power, the honour and the noble traditions of the medical profession;
- My colleagues will be my sisters and brothers;
- I will not permit considerations of age, disease or disability, creed, ethnic origin, gender, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, social standing or any other factor to intervene between my duty and my patient;
- I will maintain the utmost respect for human life;
- I will not use my medical knowledge to violate human rights and civil liberties, even under threat;

I make these promises solemnly, freely and upon my honour.



# 1. RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA



Rajarata University of Sri Lanka was established on 7<sup>th</sup> November 1995 under section 21 of the University Act No.16 of 1978 by amalgamating the resources of the affiliated University colleges in the Central, North Western and North Central Provinces. The University is located at Mihintale, a World Heritage Site, 14 km from the city of Anuradhapura and a well-known seat of learning several centuries before the beginning of the Christian era.

## 1.1 Organizational structure of the University

The Vice-chancellor is the academic and administrative Head of the university and he is assisted by Deans of the faculties, Registrar and Bursar (Figure 1; page 4).

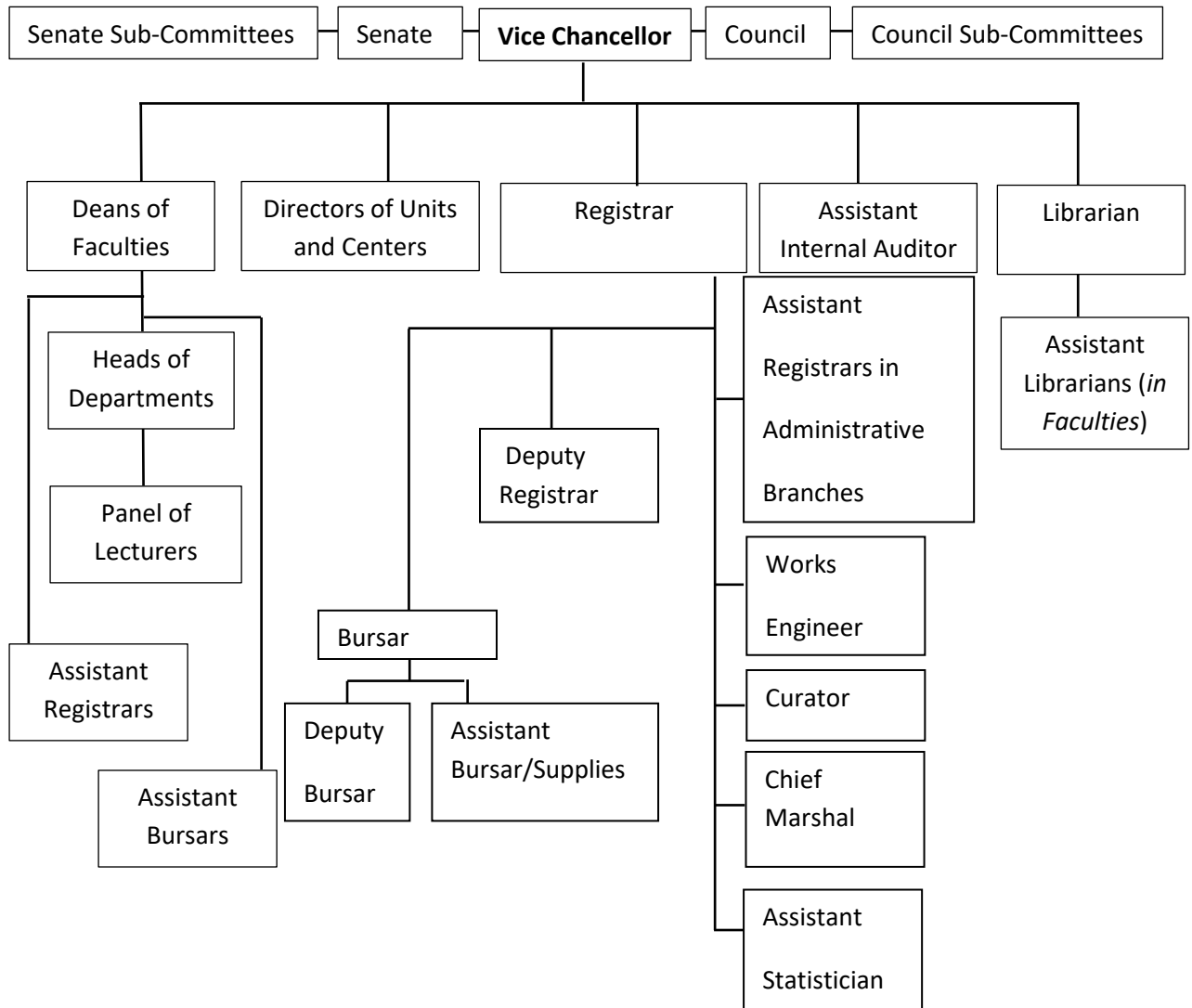
Chancellor	Ven. Pandith Ethalawatunawewe Gnanatilake Maha Thero (BA Hons, MA)
Vice Chancellor	Dr. Ananda Karunarathne (BSc Hons, MSc, PhD)
Registrar	Mr. AMGB Abeysinghe (BA, MA, PGDM, PGIM)
Bursar	Mr. DD Upananda (BCom(Sp), PGD(B. Admin), MBA)

## 1.2 Faculties of the University

The University consists of six faculties each headed by a Dean who is the academic and administrative Head of each faculty.

- Faculty of Agriculture (Puliyankulama)
- Faculty of Applied Sciences (Mihintale)
- Faculty of Management Studies (Mihintale)
- Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences (Saliyapura)
- Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities (Mihintale)
- Faculty of Technology (Mihintale)

## Organizational structure of the University



**Figure 1**

## 2. FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND ALLIED SCIENCES, SALIYAPURA



The Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences (FMAS), Rajarata University of Sri Lanka (RUSL) was established in July 2006, under section 21 of the University Act No.16 of 1978. The former Youth Ranger Training Center at Saliyapura was identified as the site of the new faculty. The location is 7 km from the Anuradhapura General Hospital and 17 km from the main campus at Mihintale. The first batch of 171 medical undergraduates from 22 districts in the island were recruited to the faculty on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2006. Since then, fourteen batches have been admitted to the faculty. Eight batches of students have graduated to date.

The faculty is situated at a unique geographical location, Anuradhapura: with a rich history of more than 2500 years. Here lies many archeological sites and specimens including those of ancient medical heritage. This UNESCO world heritage site was the capital of Sri Lanka from the 4<sup>th</sup> century BC until the beginning of the 11<sup>th</sup> century AD. During this period, it remained one of the most stable and durable centers of political power and urban life in South Asia.

The faculty comprises seventeen academic departments and units (page 13). Anuradhapura Teaching Hospital (THA), which is the third largest hospital in the country, serves as the main teaching hospital of the faculty. THA houses the University Professorial Units in the principal clinical disciplines equipped with modern diagnostic and management facilities. Staff of all Clinical Departments provide services as honorary consultants at THA. Community practice area consists of a socio-economically diverse population that enables comprehensive primary and preventive care training. Community care services that are provided by FMAS include, services for mentally disabled children, health promotional activities, outreach clinics, maternal and infant care services, especially related to averting child malnutrition and improving maternal morbidity surveillance as well as providing guidance on epidemiological studies for healthcare professionals. These services are partly integrated to the community based teaching program to ensure that students get a hands on experience in public health.

The faculty continually strives to uplift the standards of the institution, by paving the way for students to reach their full potential. The faculty has strengthened its human resources and other infrastructure facilities during the past decade. The medical curriculum underwent two major revisions in 2014 and 2016. In 2014, the faculty revised its pre-clinical medical curriculum from a traditional subject-based to a system-based curriculum with horizontal and vertical integration. Research in Medicine as well as Personal and Professional development components were introduced as separate streams, in 2016. Family Medicine has been introduced as a separate discipline to MBBS

program since February 2021. Throughout the short history of the faculty our graduates have secured high ranks in the common merit order and excelled in various postgraduate courses. Moreover, our undergraduates have brought pride to the faculty through the achievements in extracurricular activities.

## **2.1 Vision of the faculty**

To be the premier institution in Sri Lanka in training of health professionals.

## **2.2 Mission of the faculty**

Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences is committed to train health professionals with values of highest ethical conduct and mutual respect in an environment of excellence. This would involve a holistic education in preventive and curative medicine and research and embody a desire for continuing education while recognizing responsibility for betterment of the health of people at all levels in Sri Lanka.

## **2.3 Location and the ground plan**

The faculty is located in Anuradhapura – Jaffna main road, about 7 km from Anuradhapura city and is around 15 km from the main campus in Mihintale (Figure 2 and Figure 3; page 7-8).

## **2.4 Working hours of the faculty**

A working week of the faculty is from Monday to Friday, and the administrative office and departments are open from 8.00 a.m. to 4.15 p.m. on these days.

Lectures are conducted from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on weekdays. Clinical training time schedules vary with the appointment.

## **2.5 Academic and Administrative Structure**

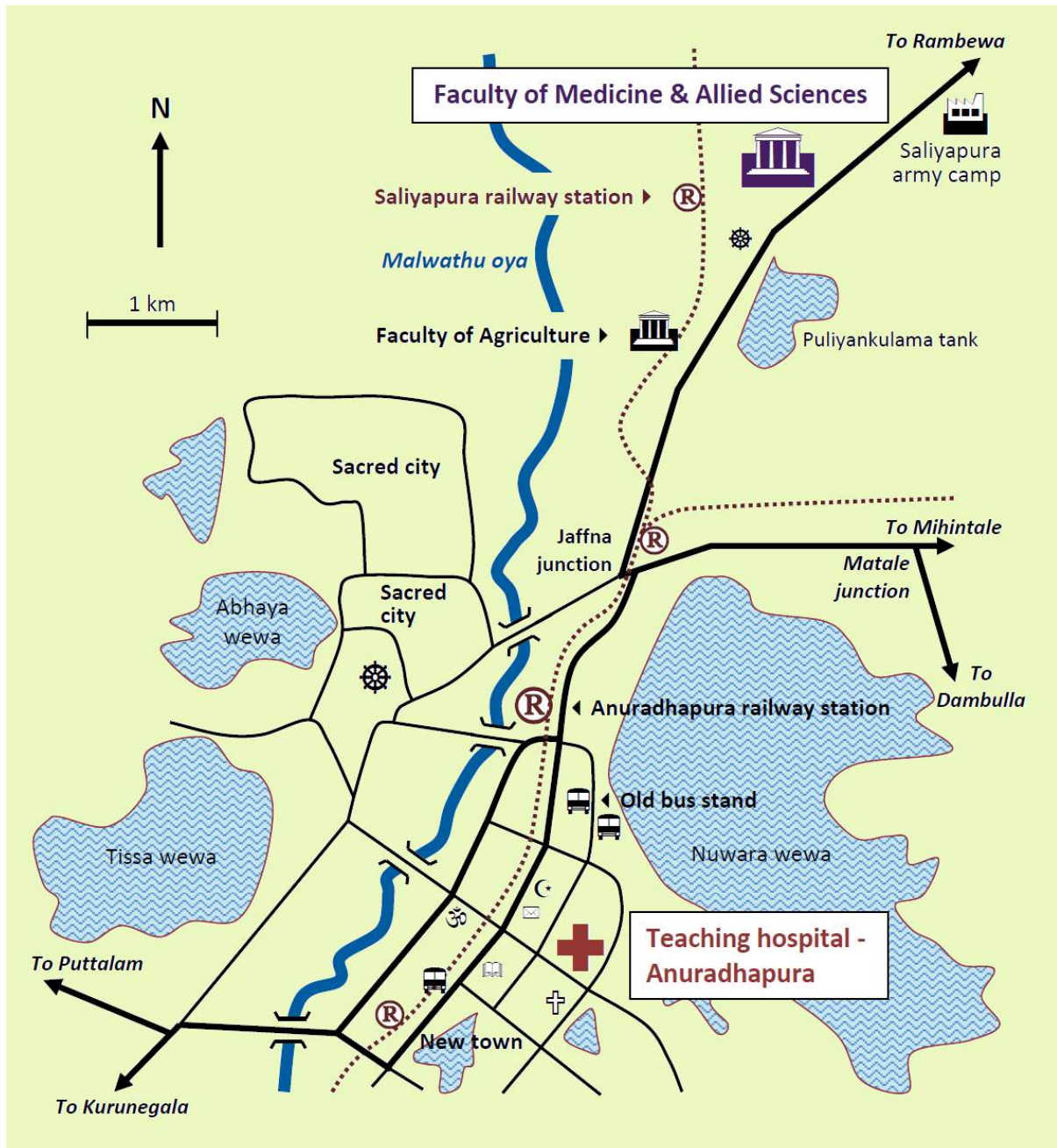
The Dean is the academic and administrative Head of the Faculty and he is assisted by the Heads of the departments, Assistant Registrar and Assistant Bursar (Figure 4; page 9).

## **2.6 Academic Program Coordinators**

Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) undergraduate course broadly divided into three programs depending on the subject content; Preclinical, Paraclinical and Clinical. Each of the program coordinated by a coordinator appointed by the Faculty Board.

<b>Preclinical coordinator</b>	Dr. SMA Jayawardena (MBBS, MSc)
<b>Paraclinical coordinator</b>	Prof. NKA Silva (MBBS, MPhil, PhD, FRSPH, FRCPEdin)
<b>Clinical coordinator</b>	Dr. SPB Thalaspitiya (MBBS, MS, IRCAD France, FMASI India)

## Location of Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences – Saliyapura and Teaching Hospital – Anuradhapura



(Figure 2)

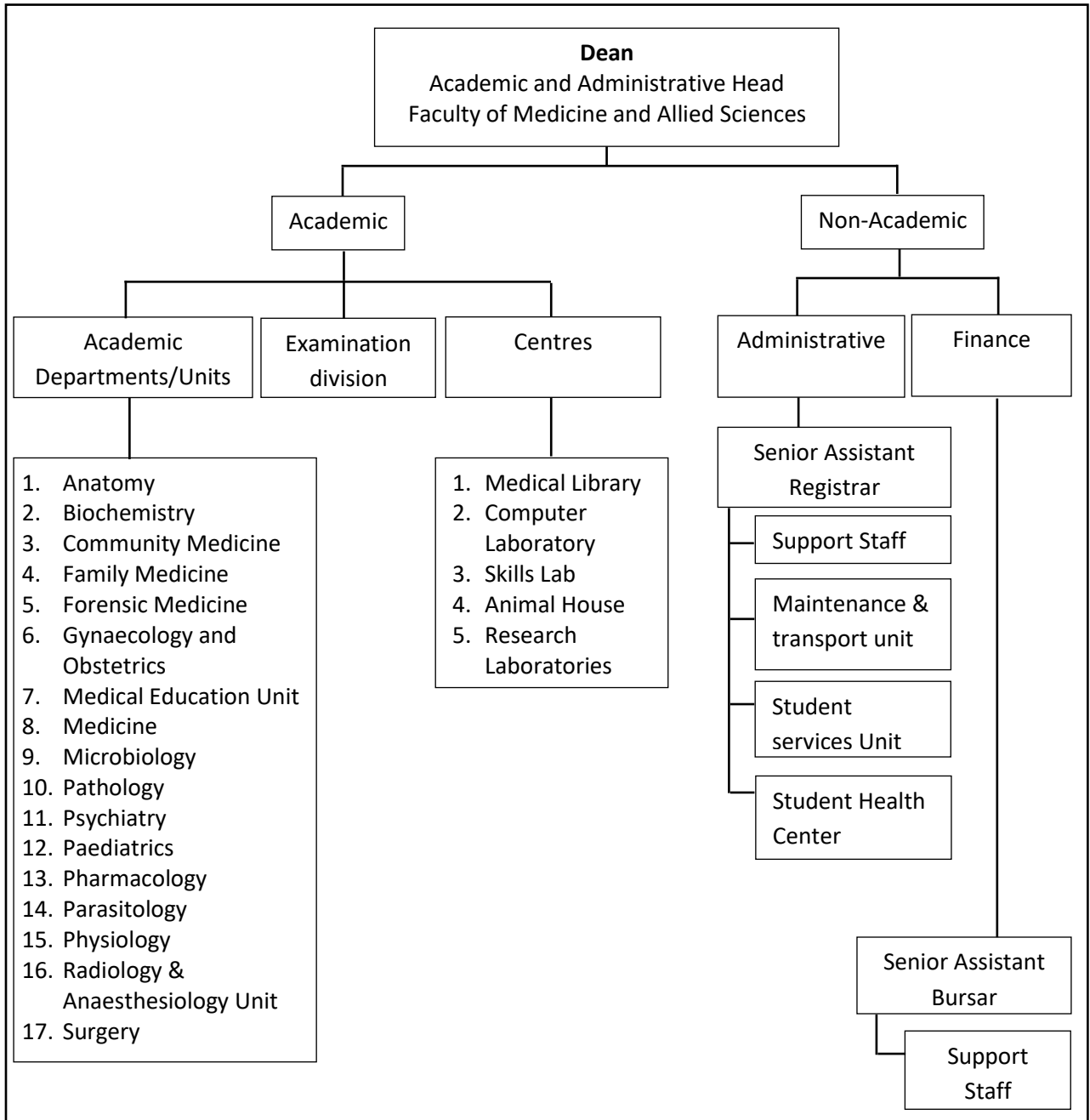
## Ground Plan of Faculty of Medicine & Allied Sciences



(Figure 3)

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| <p><b>A</b>     <b>Administration building</b><br/> <u>Ground floor:</u> Accounts branch, Student services unit, Tutorial rooms<br/> <u>First floor:</u> Dean's office, Board room, Examinations division</p> <p><b>B</b>     <b>Pre-clinical building</b><br/> <u>Ground floor:</u> Physiology laboratory, Histology laboratory, Dissection hall<br/> <u>First floor:</u> Department of Anatomy (Office), Department of Physiology (Office)</p> <p><b>C</b>     <b>Para-clinical building</b><br/> <u>Ground floor:</u> Department of Forensic Medicine, Department of Parasitology, Department of Pharmacology, Department of Microbiology, Students' Health Center, Main research laboratory<br/> <u>First floor:</u> Department of Biochemistry, Department of Community Medicine, Department of Pathology, Prof. DJ Weiligama Laboratory<br/> <u>Second floor:</u> Prof. SarathEdirisinghe Auditorium, Tutorial rooms/ Examination hall, Medical Education Unit, Department of Family Medicine, Faculty Cell of the Department of English Language Teaching, Internal Quality Assurance Unit, Higher Degrees, Research and Ethic Review Committee office, AV unit, Research laboratories, Staff common room</p> <p><b>D</b>     <u>Ground floor:</u> Lecture hall, <u>First floor:</u> Prof. PAJ Perera Laboratory</p> <p><b>E</b>     Prof. MalkanthiChandrasekara auditorium</p> <p><b>G</b>     Main Library</p> <p><b>I</b>     New lecture hall</p> <p><b>K</b>     Students' hostel</p> <p><b>M</b>     Milk bar</p> <p><b>O</b>     Arts room</p> <p><b>S</b>     Security office</p> <p><b>AH/M</b>     Animal House&amp; Maintenance Unit</p> <p><b>Ge</b>     Generator room</p> <p><b>SQ</b>     Staff quarters</p> <p><b>St</b>     Store</p> | <p><b>F</b>     Computer Laboratory</p> <p><b>H</b>     Cafeteria, Students' common room</p> <p><b>J</b>     Students' hostel (<i>Wijayabahu Hostel</i>)</p> <p><b>L</b>     Pavilion, gymnasium</p> <p><b>N</b>     Cadaver preservation and storage room</p> <p><b>P</b>     Vehicle park</p> <p><b>T</b>     Toilets</p> <p><b>BOC</b>     Bank of Ceylon- Medical Faculty branch ATM</p> <p><b>PO</b>     Post Office</p> <p><b>Sr</b>     Shrine room</p> |
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## Academic and Administrative Structure of the Faculty of Medicine & Allied Sciences



*(Figure 4)*

## 2.7 Administrative Staff

### Dean and Office of the Dean

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### Office of the Dean

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#### Clerical staff

Ms. T Amirthavarshani	English stenographer
Ms. T Amirthavarshani	Management assistant
Ms. HTI Anuradhi	Management assistant (temporary lecturers, non-academic staff) (Email: anuradhi.iresha@yahoo.com)
Ms. ARTK Nawarathna	Management assistant (visiting staff) (Email: rasikanawarathna92@gmail.com)

#### Support staff

Mr. FFSLTelin	In charge of Professorial Unit auditorium
Ms. MLL Jayasundara	Supportive staff

### Senior Assistant Registrar

**Mr. Wijitha Bandara Dissanayake** (PgDM - Rajarata)  
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## 2.8 Centres & Units to support academic and administrative activities

### 2.8.1 Student services Unit

The uppermost function of the Student Services Unit (SSU) is focusing on the creation of a device to facilitate the students of the FMAS to achieve a higher quality medical education. SSU of FMAS provides a wide range of services for the convenience of the students to achieve the above objective. Therefore, it works in collaboration with several centers and units of the faculty.

SSU provides following services:

- Distribution of student handbooks and record books
- Arranging and distribution of student identity cards
- Maintaining personal files of the students
- Preparing students' albums
- Preparing and issuing studentship letters
- Issuing progress reports
- Coordinating *Mahapola* scholarship & bursary related activities
- Coordinating *Saubhagya* scholarship related activities
- Coordination of arrangements related to clinical appointments
- Preparing and issuing of student registers for clinical appointments
- Coordination of activities related to student hostel facilities
- Display clinical schedule of the faculty in the notice board
- Calling entry forms and issuing the admissions for all main examinations

**Staff**  
Ms. WDTN Seneviratne  
Mr. JMCP Ranathunga  
Mr. WKS Premakumara                      In-charge of lecture hall

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### 2.8.2 Maintenance & transport unit

Conducting and coordinating maintenance work of the faculty and provision of transport services for students\* and staff\* are the main functions of the unit (\*with prior approval from the SAR).

**Staff**  
Ms. AACD Abeysinghe                      Management Assistant (transport and canteen)  
Mr. HGS Pushpalal                          In charge of Maintenance Unit  
Mr. RM Jayamaha                          Supportive staff/Maintenance Unit  
Mr. AVC Nishantha                          Supportive staff  
Mr. ACA Marasinghe                      Driver/Faculty bus

### 2.8.3Accounts branch

The accounts branch coordinate and conduct all the finance related services of the faculty.

#### Staff

Mr. BMA Basnayake	Shroff
Mr. JH Kodikara	Store Keeper
Mr. HCS de Silva	Management Assistant (Book Keeping)
Ms. MC Pathmaraja	Management Assistant
Ms. PHMDK Herath	Supportive staff
Ms. RMLMKR Bambaragama	Supportive staff

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### 2.8.4Examinations division

During the MBBS programme, a student has to appear in about 40 examinations. Therefore, the faculty organizes about 40 examinations and approximately 12 repeat examinations for each batch of students.

Because of the physical separation from the main University location and for other reasons Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences is conducting the exams separately. Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences has a separate Examinations Division, which is under a Director of Examinations who shall be appointed by the Dean and approved by the Faculty Board. The Examinations Division of the faculty is organizing the examinations with the assistance of the departments.

**Director/Examinations:** Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara (MBBS, PgD(Psych), MPhil)

**Clerical staff:** Ms. HMM Saumya Nawarathna

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### 2.8.5 Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

In recognition of the importance of quality enhancement of the University education in a formal, transparent and accountable manner, and responding to the global and local trends in quality assurance, FMAS established it's IQAC. All quality related aspects of the academic programme, research, services and environment of the faculty come under the wings of IQAC. It represents all stakeholders for quality within the Faculty, including academic staff, medical students, administrative staff and non-academic staff. It implements corrective actions or makes recommendations to uplift the quality of the faculty where necessary.

**Chairperson** Dr. YGS Wasana Jayaratne (MBBS, PgD MEd, MD MEd)

**Secretary** Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara (MBBS, PgD (Psych), MPhil)

## 2.8.6 Office of the Higher Degrees, Research and Publication Committee (HDRPC)

FMAS offers the following higher degrees in selected areas of study:

Doctoral Degrees:	1. Doctor of Science (DSc) 2. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Master Degrees	1. Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

<b>Chairperson</b>	Dr. Senaka Pilapitiya (MBBS, MD (Medicine), PGCME, Dip. in Ayurveda)
<b>Secretary</b>	Dr. Subhashinie Senadheera (BSc Hons, PhD)
<b>Staff</b>	Mr. LADHR Wijayathunga (BMS in HRM)

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## 2.8.7 Office of the Ethics Review Committee (ERC)

ERC provides independent guidance, advice and decision on health research or other specific research protocols involving human subjects. The primary objectives of the ERC/FMAS/RUSL is to protect the physical, psychological, social welfare, rights, dignity and safety of human participants used in research, while taking into account the interests and needs of researchers and the integrity of FMAS/RUSL. The ERC facilitates ethical research through efficient and effective review and monitoring processes, to promote ethical standards of human research and to review research in accordance with the Guidelines of the Forum of Ethics Review Committees in Sri Lanka (FERCSL Guidelines) and relevant national and international guidelines.

ERC has been a recognized ethics review committee by the Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka, since 2013. In May 2017, it was accredited by the Subcommittee on Clinical Trials (SCOCT) of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority (NMRA), Sri Lanka as the seventh ERC in Sri Lanka which can review and approve clinical trials. Further, ERC received SIDCER-FERCAP recognition in 2017. ERC is an institutional member of Forum of Ethics Review Committees in Sri Lanka (FERCSL). And, it is registered at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as an institutional review board.

Information related to the application procedure and ethics review evaluation process is available in ERC website (<http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/index.php/ethic-review-committee>).

<b>Chairperson</b>	Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara (MBBS, PgD(Psych), MPhil)
<b>Vice-chairperson</b>	Dr. TV Sundarabarathy (BSc Hons, MSc, PhD)
<b>Co-secretaries</b>	Dr. SMA Jayawardana (MBBS, MSc) Dr. YPJN Warnasekera (MBBS, MPH, FRSPH)
<b>Staff</b>	Mr. LADHR Wijayathunga (BMS in HRM)

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## 2.9 Academic Departments

### 2.9.1 Department of Anatomy

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The Department of Anatomy was officially founded in September 2006 and is one of the major departments of the faculty playing a pivotal role in preparing students for higher medical education. The basic objective of the department is to provide guidance and facilities for the students to acquire comprehensive knowledge regarding the normal structures of the human body in connection with its integrated functions, and to develop basis learning, clinical, professional and interpersonal skills that would be reflected eventually in the clinical domain.

The department has following facilities to facilitate the process of students' learning.

Dissection laboratories: Dissection of human body is a significant means to learn the subject of Anatomy. Dissection laboratories have infrastructure to accommodate 200 students at a time.

Histology laboratory: The laboratory is equipped with modern binocular microscopes, a vast range of high-quality histology slides, and slide preparation facilities that help students understand the microscopic structure of human organs and the organization of tissues. A separate microscope is provided to each student for their practical assignments.

Anatomy museum: Anatomy museum houses large number prosected cadaveric specimens and human body parts, bones, anatomical models, and a range of radiological images to support students' learning.

Cadaver preservation laboratory: Cadaver preservation laboratory is equipped with the state-of-the-art cadaver coolers and preservation tanks, and all the facilities to prepare and preserve human cadavers for the dissections.

## Staff

### Head

Dr. Sampath Paththinige (MBBS, MSc) Senior Lecturer

### Academic staff

Dr. Asantha Jayawardana (MBBS, MSc) Senior Lecturer

Dr. Dhanushka Jeewantha (MBBS, PhD) Senior Lecturer

Dr. (Mrs.) Iresha Koralegedara (MBBS) Lecturer

### Visiting Academic Staff

Dr. Wimal Abeysekara (MBBS, MS) Visiting Senior Lecturer & Consultant Surgeon

Dr. (Mrs.) Lilangani De Silva (MBBS MD) Visiting Senior Lecturer & Consultant Radiologist

Prof. Sanjaya Adikari (MBBS, PhD) Visiting Professor in Anatomy

### Technical Officers

Mrs. WMGC Weerasundara

Mrs. KN Liyanage

### Management Assistant

Mr. RMDT Ranasinghe

### Support staff

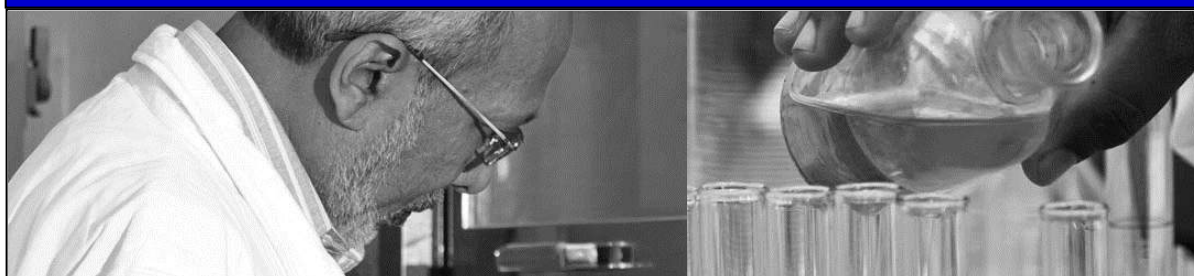
Mr. SMRP Bandara

Mrs. WAN Siriwardhana

Mr. PBN Pushpakumara

Mr. DPL Thilakarathne

Mr. EM Janake



Biochemistry ‘the chemistry of life’ explores the chemical processes within and related to living organisms bringing biology and chemistry together. Sound knowledge on the principles of biochemical mechanisms involved in maintaining the integrity and homeostasis of living organisms provides foundation to explore the basis of disease, diagnosis and management.

From the inception in 2006, the Department of Biochemistry is highly committed for teaching-learning activities of medical undergraduate programme, postgraduate teaching and supervision, and medical research. The core of our undergraduate programme includes cellular biochemistry, human genetics, human nutrition, and clinical and applied biochemistry, setting up a prime platform towards forming a quality medical doctor. We conduct lectures, laboratory based practical classes, small group discussions, problem based learning and seminars, using both online platforms and in-person.

Research activities conducted by the department actively contributes to the advancement of the biomedical knowledge, particularly in the fields of analytical biochemistry, human nutrition, proteomics, immunity, and molecular diagnostics. The department is equipped with a well-established student laboratory, post graduate research laboratory and a cell culture laboratory to facilitate teaching and research activities to meet the evolving needs in the field

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. Harshi Weerakoon (MBBS, PGDipAppStat, MPhil, PhD)

Senior Lecturer

#### Academic staff

Mr. Widuranga Kumbukgolle (BSc Hons, MPhil)

Senior Lecturer

Mr. Indika Senavirathne (BSc Hons, MSc, MPhil)

Senior Lecturer

Dr. Subhashinie Senadheera (BSc Hons, PhD)

Senior Lecturer

Dr. PRSRJ Bandara (MBBS)

Lecturer

#### Technical Officer

Mr. WMBRS Gunathilaka

#### Support staff

Mr. ISK Aluthgedara

Mr. DL Jayarathne

#### Management Assistant

Ms. LJSomapala

Mr. JVJN Jayasekara



Physiology is one of the fundamental sciences taught to the medical students during the first two years of their academic program along with Anatomy and Biochemistry. The aim is to gain a comprehensive knowledge of the normal structure and function of the human body. Department of Physiology is one of the departments established at the founding of the faculty itself in September 2006. The department includes a laboratory, well equipped with instruments to assess human physiological functions, in addition to general facilities.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. Sujanthi Wickramage (MBBS, MPhil)

Senior Lecturer

#### Academic staff

Dr. AMMV Kumari (MBBS)

Lecturer

Dr. HECS Kumara (MBBS)

Lecturer

Dr. RMSI Rajapakse (MBBS)

Lecturer

Dr. HMNC Herath (MBBS)

Lecturer

#### Technical Officer

Ms. HMKA Jayatissa

Ms. JN Muthunayaka

#### Management Assistant

Mr. SMAB Samarakoon

#### Support staff

Mr. WA Lasantha Nandika

Mr. WW Haththottuwegam



The Department of Microbiology established in July 2008 is responsible for teaching undergraduates in medical microbiology and conducting research related to infectious diseases.

The department is housed on the ground floor and second floor of the para-clinical building. It comprises a well equipped diagnostic laboratory, a research laboratory that meets national and international standards, and office rooms for academic and non academic staff.

The basic objectives are to provide an understanding of the biology of pathogenic microorganisms, interaction between the organisms and their human hosts, available treatment and preventive measures. This knowledge will guide the students to provide proper diagnosis and advice on treatment and prevention to the general public, as future medical practitioners.

### Staff

#### Head

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Senior Lecturer

#### Academic staff

Mrs.SC Illapperuma (BSc, MSc, MPhil)

Senior Lecturer

Dr. MGRSS Gunathilake (MBBS)

Lecturer

Dr. JMDD Jayasundara (MBBS, PgD)

Lecturer

#### Technical Officers

Mr. AHAK Priyadarshana

#### Management Assistant

Mr. SMEC Galagoda

#### Support staff

Mr. WGPM Thilakarathna





In an era of intense human mobilization and critical environmental changes taking place, leading to faster expansion of disease boundaries, tropical and parasitic diseases have become an important cause of human morbidity across the globe. Hence it is of vital importance to strengthen medical professionals with adequate capacity to take up these evolving challenges. As such, we focus on educational and research activities to ensure that these demands are met.

We, the Department of Parasitology, conduct both undergraduate and postgraduate teaching-learning activities, and research projects of regional, national and global significance. Currently we are teaching and supervising medical undergraduates, masters, and doctoral postgraduate students. The Department is strongly committed to train medical undergraduates with knowledge, attitudes, and practice skills on tropical diseases with a particular emphasis on medical parasitology, tropical diseases and global health, toxinology, and entomology. In addition, the Department provides diagnostic services, related to tropical diseases, to the national healthcare system. Novel and innovative approaches towards the development of affordable diagnostics for tropical diseases also becomes a key focus of the department.

The Department of Parasitology has its own departmental space with fully equipped diagnostic and research laboratories for students. In addition, the department maintains a multi-disciplinary laboratory for undergraduate teaching, and an animal house to facilitate the laboratory animal research.

## Staff

### Head

Prof. KGAD Weerakoon (MBBS, MPhil, PhD, FRSPH) Professor

### Academic staff

Prof. NKA Silva (MBBS, MPhil, PhD, FRSPH, FRCPEdin) Professor

Dr. WGSS Waiddyanatha (MBBS) Lecturer

### Visiting Academic Staff

Prof. JS Edirisinghe (MBBS, MSc, PhD, MD) Visiting Professor

Prof. DJ Weilgama (BVSc, MVSc, PhD) Visiting Professor

### Technical Officers

Mr. MWPK Gamage

Mr. RDN Pathirana

Mr. HANS Hettiarachchi

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Mr. DMRL Dissanayake

## 2.9.6 Department of Pharmacology

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The Department of Pharmacology was founded in 2006. It was originally established with one visiting Professor (Prof. R.L. Jayakody) and two probationary lecturers. The department evolved rapidly to face timely important challenges of the area.

One of the main aims of the department is to develop an understanding of fundamental mechanisms in chemical physiology and pathology, in the action of drugs, and in toxicology. In addition, rational prescription is one of the main objectives. Further, the department plays a vital role in research related to chronic kidney disease in rural agricultural communities.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. TKPK Kaluarachchi (BDS, PhD)

Senior Lecturer

#### Academic staff

Dr. Supun Wedasinha (MBBS)

Lecturer

#### Technical Officer

Ms. KDIM Dissanayake

#### Support staff

Mr. RRP Bandara



The Department of Pathology is involved in undergraduate teaching, research and diagnostic work. The main teaching commitment of the department is for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year medical undergraduates. Diagnostic haematological procedures are being conducted since 2015. The department aims to produce medical graduates who are able to link the cause and effects of disease and to apply this knowledge in providing optimal patient care. The department is in the process of establishing a histopathology laboratory. The department houses a museum of pathological specimens, which is extensively used by the students.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. Vasana Mendis (MBBS, D Path, MD Haematology) Senior Lecturer & Consultant Haematologist

#### Academic staff

Dr. RDK Medonsa (MBBS, D Path, MD Histopathology) Lecturer

Dr. TD Ekanayake (MBBS) Lecturer

#### Technical Officers

Mr. CSSenevirathna

Ms. DAGM Dolewatta

#### Support staff

Mrs. TMNK Thennakoon

Mr.SNM Sirisena



The Department of Community Medicine is the premier centre for public health teaching, training and research in Rajarata area. The primary mission of the Department of Community Medicine is to develop stimulating academic environment for undergraduate and postgraduate training in public health through a unique blend of traditional community medicine teaching and hands on public health experience.

The department is devoted to the promotion of public health through education, research and community service. It conducts internationally renowned cross-cutting interdisciplinary research into a wide range of public health issues including neglected tropical diseases, maternal and child health and public mental health. The department features numerous opportunities for community-based student learning, experience in real life public health interventions and outreach programmes and partnerships that promote health and the quality of life in rural population in Rajarata area.

**Staff**

**Head**

Dr. WAND Wickramasinghe Senior Lecturer & Board Certified Specialist  
(MBBS, Dip(OH&S), MSc (App. Epid.), MSc, MD, FRSPH) in Community Medicine

**Academic staff**

Prof. SB Agampodi (MBBS, MSc, MD, MPH, FRSPH)	Chair, Professor of Community Medicine & Board certified specialist in Community Med.
Dr. TC Agampodi (MBBS, MSc, MPH, PhD, FRSPH)	Professor in Community Medicine
Dr. YPJN Warnasekara (MBBS, MPH, FRSPH)	Senior Lecturer
Dr. GS Amarasinghe (MBBS, MSc, MPH, FRSPH)	Lecturer
Dr. HMIU Jayasinghe (MBBS)	Lecturer
Dr. DAU Hettiarachchi (MBBS)	Lecturer

**Postdoctoral Fellow**

Dr. M Weerasinghe (BSc (Sp.), MSc, PhD)

**Management Assistant**

Ms. IGM Ilukwaththa

**Technical Officer**

Mr. PMG Perera

**Support staff**

Ms. LJ Weerakkody  
Mr. KADS Marasinghe

## 2.9.9 Department of Forensic Medicine

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The department of Forensic Medicine was established in 2008 in the Para-clinical Coordinator's office in the Administrative building. The department moved to its own premises in 2010, located in the west side of the ground floor of the new Para-clinical building.

Department is equipped with a Forensic-Pathology museum, which is extensively used by students. The department functions in close association with the Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. AB. Senaviratne (MBBS, MD, DLM, DMJ)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant JMO

#### Management Assistant

Mr. SP Ihelagedera

#### Support staff

Mr. KAAR Kodithuwakku

Ms. NP Gamage

## 2.9.10 Department of Family Medicine

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Family medicine is a specialty in breadth that integrates the biological, clinical and behavioural sciences. The Department of Family Medicine was established in December 2016 to enrich the MBBS curriculum with the concepts of Family Medicine; comprehensive and continuing health care in both preventive and curative contexts for the individual, family and community.

The Department is conducting high impact cross-disciplinary research, in the fields of primary care, rural health, mental health and toxicology, in collaboration with world leading international Universities. Moreover, there are strong links to other departments of Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences, the professorial Unit of Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura, other faculties of Rajarata University of Sri Lanka and local research organizations.

Undergraduate teaching program in Family Medicine was commenced as a separate discipline in February 2021. Undergraduate clinical training in Family Medicine will commence with the commencement of clinical training of 2016/2017 batch. The Department is leading the process of establishing a clinical skills laboratory for undergraduate training at the faculty premises. In addition, the Department is leading the process of establishing a primary care centre attached to the faculty to improve the quality of undergraduate training and to expand the community service.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara (MBBS, PgD(Psych), MPhil) Senior Lecturer

#### Academic staff

Dr. PLK Abeyarathna (MBBS) Lecturer  
Dr. D Rathish (MBBS, MPH, MPhil) Senior Lecturer

#### Support staff

Ms. NPK Liyanarachchi



Department of Medicine is responsible for undergraduate and postgraduate teaching in clinical medicine and offers medical services at the Professorial Medical Unit, THA. The teaching program includes bedside teaching in the wards, clinics and the acute admission unit of the hospital, where there is a wide range of clinical problems.

The department carries out research, public engagement and advocacy. The department offices and its clinical services (wards 61 and 62) are both situated at the newly constructed modern six-storied professorial clinical building at THA. Clinical services and the research lab, that provides several educational facilities for clinical students and researchers, are situated in the first floor and the department offices are situated in the second floor. In addition, the department is equipped with a modern skills lab that provides several skills based educational facilities for students.

## Staff

### Head

Dr. Niroshan Lokunarangoda Senior Lecturer & Consultant Cardiologist  
(MBBS, MD, MRCP UK, PGCME, MSc Med. Toxicology, MRCP Acute Med., MRCP Lon, FRCP Edin.)

### Academic staff

Prof. Sisira Siribaddana (MBBS, MD, FCCP, FRCP Edin, FRCP Lon)	Chair, Senior Professor of Medicine & Consultant Physician
Dr. Prasanna Weerawansa (MBBS, MD)	Senior Lecturer & Consultant Physician
Dr. Senaka Pilapitiya (MBBS, MD, PGCME, Diploma in Ayurveda)	Senior Lecturer & Consultant Physician
Dr. Chamara Sarathchandra (MBBS, MD, MRCP UK, FRCP Edin)	Senior Lecturer & Consultant Physician
Dr. Hemal Senanayaka (MBBS, MD, MRCP UK, MRCP Lon, MRCP Geriatric Med., MRCPE, FRCP)	Senior Lecturer & Consultant Physician

### Technical Officer

Mr. LVK Senarathna

### Management Assistant

Ms. TGSC Ranathunga

### Support staff

Mr. SAS Sugathadasa



The Department of surgery was established on 29<sup>th</sup> of April 2009 within the Saliyapura faculty premises. The fully fledged department is now located in the Professorial unit, Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura.

The Professorial unit provides teaching and training in Clinical Surgery for undergraduates and post graduates trainees along with its clinical services to a large segment of the population in the North Central Province. The service component of the department includes general surgical casualties, surgical clinics and routine surgical operations. Student teaching activities include mainly the final year surgical rotation of eight weeks. Students are exposed to round the clock patient management including clinical history taking, management decision making, investigations and critical care and trauma. Ward rounds, clinics and ward classes provide a regular opportunity for student teaching with ample clinical material.

## Staff

### Head

Dr. S Srishankar  
(MBBS, MD, FRCS(Glas), MRCS(Eng), MRCSEd,FRSPH, FMAS(Ind))

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Surgeon

### Academic staff

Dr. Sujeewa Thalgaspiya  
(MBBS, MS, IRCAD France, FMASI Ind)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Surgeon

Dr. Kithsiri Senanayaka  
(MBBS, MD, MRCS Edin, FMAS India)

Lecturer & Consultant Surgeon (Acting)

Dr. Anuradha Jayathilake  
(MBBS, MD, MRCS Glasgow, FMAS India)

Lecturer & Consultant Surgeon (Acting)

### Technical Officer

Ms. DMMK Senavirathna

### Support staff

Mr. TG Niuton





Department of Paediatrics located in the second floor of the Professorial Unit, Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura. The aim of the department is to train professionals, conduct research and provide services necessary for the management of diseases of infants, children and adolescents to optimize their growth and development and to allow them to achieve full potential.

The department is primarily involved in the training medical students of Rajarata University. We guild to help trainees to achieve knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to provide healthcare services to children of all ages in any part of the island and country.

The department is also providing high quality healthcare services to the children and young people of the North Central Province through the Professorial paediatric ward (ward 63) and paediatric clinics.

**Staff****Head**

Dr. Janith Chandrakumara  
(MBBS, DCH, MD, MRCPH, FRSPH)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Pediatrician

**Academic Staff**

Dr. Givani Amarakoon (MBBS, DCH, MD)  
Dr. Ishani Dharshika (MBBS, DCH, MD)

Lecturer & Consultant Paediatrician (Acting)  
Senior Lecturer (Transitory) & Consultant  
Paediatrician (Acting)

**Visiting Academic Staff**

Prof Lamabadusuriya  
(MBBS, PhD, DSc, FRCP Edin, FRCP Lon, FRCP Glasg, FRCPCH, FCCP, FSLCP, FSLGP, DCH)

Visiting Professor

**Technical Officer**

Mr. AB Herath

**Management Assistant**

Ms. HD Dharmasinghe

**Support staff**

Ms. P Subasinghe

## 2.9.14 Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology

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The Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology being one of the clinical departments in the faculty, deals with undergraduate teaching, postgraduate training and research in many aspects of Obstetrics & Gynaecology. Furthermore, the department provides clinical services through the Professorial Obstetrics & Gynaecology units of THA. The unit consists of three wards, namely ante natal, post natal and gynaecology, equipped with all the modern facilities. Further, the department has a state of the art delivery suite with modern theatre facilities.

As the primary objective, the department provides an intellectually stimulating and friendly environment for students to learn Obstetrics and Gynaecology. In addition, producing a good and competent clinicians who are capable of handling the challenges in the evolving discipline of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and providing an excellent regional training centre for all medical staff and nurses in the North Central province, are within the priorities of the department.

### Staff

#### Head

Dr. DMAjith Kumara (MBBS, MD, MRCOG)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Obs. & Gynecologist

#### Academic staff

Dr. Nandana Hettigama (MBBS, MS)

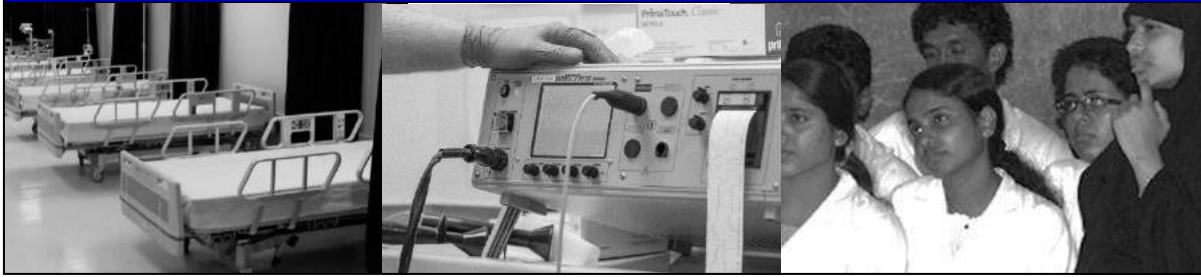
Senior Lecturer & Consultant Obs. & Gynecologist

#### Technical Officer

Mr. WLGUpul

#### Management Assistant

Ms. BASDPJayathilaka



The Department of Psychiatry was established in 2008. Undergraduate teaching was commenced for third and fourth year students in the following year. In 2012, the department was moved to the new six-storied Professorial building from where it was initially established. In January 2017, the Professorial Psychiatry ward, which is a 34-bedded inpatient facility at the THA, was opened to promote psychiatry professorial student appointments at the final year.

The department is actively involved in providing a dedicated clinical service as well as teaching and research in psychiatry. The department conducts the teaching program for undergraduate medical students. The acute care unit provides inpatient services and a range of outpatient services.

## Staff

### Head

Dr. Anuprabha Wickramasinghe  
(MBBS, MD, MSc, FRCPsych)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Psychiatrist

### Academic staff

Dr. SMBH Abeyratne (MBBS, MD)

Lecturer & Consultant Psychiatrist (Acting)

Dr Amila Isuru (MBBS, MD, MRCPsych)

Senior lecturer & Consultant Psychiatrist

### Visiting Academic Staff

Prof. Diyanath Samarasinghe  
(MBBS, MD, FRCPsych, DSc)

Visiting Professor of Psychiatry

### Management Assistant

Ms. WMDP Weerasuriya

### Support staff

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### 2.9.16 Medical Education Unit (MEU)

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The Medical Education Unit (MEU) was established in 2012 and it functions as a support unit to,

1. facilitate faculty staff professional development in teaching and learning
2. act as key advisory role in curriculum development and review
3. teach and coordinate personal and professional development stream.
4. promote research in medical education.

MEU has many collaborations with local, regional and international medical education. MEU is housed on the second floor of the Para-clinical building. It comprises a studio and office rooms.

#### Staff

##### Head

Dr. YGS Wasana Jayaratne (MBBS, PgD MEd, MD MEd)

Senior Lecturer

### 2.9.17 Radiology & Anaesthesiology Unit

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The unit was established in 2017 focusing undergraduate training and patient care services of professorial unit THA.

#### Staff

##### Academic staff

Dr. KADLP Kariyawasam (MBBS, MD)

Senior Lecturer & Consultant Anesthetist

## 2.10 Academic Supporting Centres

### 2.10.1 Library

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Medical library is the key medical information provider for health professionals and undergraduates in FMAS and THA. There are two library branches; one in the faculty premises at Saliyapura and the other one at Professorial Unit, THA. The professorial unit library extended its service to postgraduate studies as PGIM resource center. The Library is fully automated and integrated with KOHA Library management software and online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) is available to access all the items of the library. Additional to the printed versions, online - database access and access to E-books are available.

The medical library is well stocked with newer editions of more than 10,000 copies of textbooks and journals. In addition, the library has a good collection of electronic learning materials (CDs/DVDs), lecture notes, past examination papers (online and printed) medical newsletters, thesis and dissertation. The collection is annually updated. It has facilities to accommodate approximately 250 students. Medical faculty library is open to users from 0830h - 2215h from Monday-Friday and from 0830h - 1630h in weekends and public holidays. Professorial unit library is open to users from 1100h - 2215h from Monday-Friday and from 0830h - 1630h in weekends. Each student is entitled to borrow a reference book (01) for overnight and a non-reference/lending book (03) for one-week loan, at a given time. Permanent reference books labeled "PR" (in red) may not be removed from the library. Fines are imposed on all books not returned by the due date. Library facilities should be accessed using student's identity card.

#### Staff

**Senior Assistant Librarian** Ms. Thushara Wanasinghe (BBA, MSc)

#### Library Assistant

Mr. MKDA Amarasinghe  
Mr. GRDH Fernando  
Mr. W Indrajith  
Ms. K.H. DammiKanthi

#### Support Staff

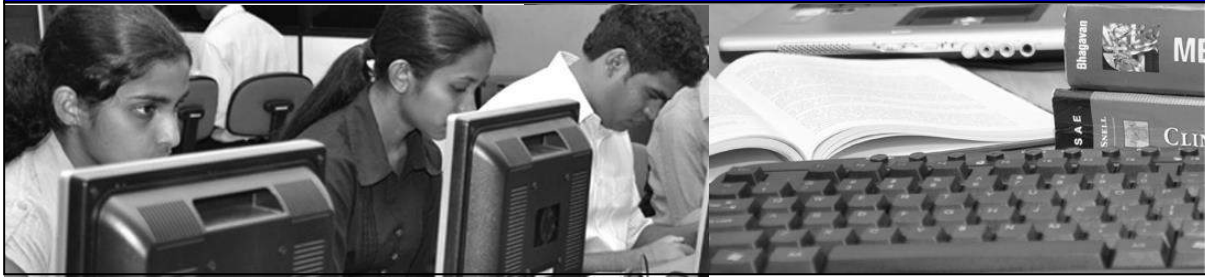
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## 2.10.2 Computer Laboratory

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Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is now part of the fabric of all levels of education. The knowledge-seeking attitude of undergraduates is greatly facilitated by resources other than the traditional printed media. ICT based learning and teaching is tremendously efficient in helping medical students to learn fast and well. The Computer Laboratory was ceremonially opened on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2008.

Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences encourages the use of computing and network resources to enhance the learning and teaching environment of the faculty community. The Computer Laboratory is the main location which provides ICT resources for the students and the academic staff of the faculty. The faculty has a Learning Management System (LMS) which provides students with e-resources that complement classroom and clinical teaching. In addition, computer laboratory provides ICT training for new entrants, maintains services of the Local Area Network, Internet and networking of the faculty and maintains the faculty website.

Computer laboratory of the faculty comprises 45 computers. It operates from 08.30h to 18.30h on weekdays.

### Staff

#### **Academic Coordinator**

Dr. Ayes Hettiarachchi (MBBS)

Lecturer in Community Medicine

#### **Instructor in Computer Technology**

Ms. Achini Irugalbandara (BSc (IT), MIT)

#### **Technical Officers**

Mr. HAJP Herath

#### **Support staff**

Mr. PAJMCP Ranathunga

## 3. ACADEMIC PROGRAMME



### 3.1 Intended Learning Outcomes of the Medical Course

At the end of the MBBS course the graduate should possess knowledge and competencies regarding

1. Scientific knowledge for medical practice
2. Skills essential for medical practice
3. Ethics, attitudes and professionalism
4. Leadership, interpersonal relationships and teamwork
5. Research, evidence-based medicine and problem solving
6. Health promotion and social, cultural and environmental perspectives on health
7. Continuing professional development

### 3.2 Rules of the Medical Course

1. The number of attempts at the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination is limited to four and passing the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination is compulsory to precede the course.
2. The maximum period of study in the faculty is 10 years.
3. All clinical appointments should be completed before commencement of Professorial appointments.
4. Students should pass the compulsory English examination before sitting the final MBBS examination.

### 3.3 MBBS Academic programme

The medical programme is a fulltime course conducted over a period of five years (Figure 5; page 34).

#### 3.3.1 Foundation course for medical studies

Purpose of the student foundation program is to help new students adjust and feel comfortable in the new environment, inculcate in them the ethos and culture of the university, help them build bonds with other students and faculty members, and expose them to a sense of larger purpose and self exploration.

This consists of a 8 week course. At the start of the foundation, the new comers learn about the institutional policies, processes, practices, culture and values, and their mentor groups are formed. Further, the time during the Induction Program is also used to rectify some critical gaps, for example, English, for those students who have deficiency in it and there is continuous English programme during the induction course. An English examination will be conducted at the end of the course and 25% marks from this will be awarded to the compulsory English examination. Variety of activities (physical activities, creative arts. Lectures from eminent people, literacy activities and visit to local area) conducted under the foundation program in which the student would be fully engaged throughout the day for the entire duration of the program.

### **3.3.2 English Language Teaching Program**

#### **Intensive/ Foundation English Program**

The Foundation English Program consists of 10 weeks and it has been allocated 200 hours. The Curriculum is particularly designed for enriching the four skills of English Language of the students. Furthermore, the lessons are basically studded with Medical English as well as General English focusing more on IELTS Examination.

A Placement Test will be held prior to conducting the lectures as a mode of accessing the proficiency levels in English Language of the students. In addition, students are categorized as mixed ability groups when conducting the lectures.

There will be an End Course Examination at the end of the program and the students are supposed to get through it.

#### **English Program for 1<sup>st</sup> Year and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Students**

English Program for 1st Year and 2nd Year Students is introduced to reinforce them to amplify their Language Skills in English. The Compulsory General English Program will be extended until the end of the Second Year. 80% attendance is mandatory and there will be an English examination at the end of the Second Year.

#### **Remedial English Program**

This Program facilitates the students who are in low language proficiencies to improve their knowledge of English Language. It is basically focused on to develop the speaking competency of the students, which is essential when stepping up to the practical world.

The students who wish to augment their Language Skills in English are almost welcome to take part in the lectures. The Lectures will be conducted in after hours in order to cater to their needs.



### 3.3.3 Year 1 and 2

The modules and semester assessments during each of the semesters are as follows:

#### Structure of the year 1 and 2 academic programme

Semester	Modules and topics	Assessment (components of examinations)
Y1S1	ISM, Blood, CVS, RS, Nutrition, Gross Anatomy (Upper Limb, Thorax)	CA1Anatomy (MCQ,SEQ,OSPE) CA1 Physiology (MCQ,SEQ) CA1Biochemistry (MCQ,SEQ)
Y1S2	GIT, Urinary, Reproductive, Endocrine, Nutrition, Gross anatomy (Abdomen, Pelvis)	CA2Anatomy (MCQ,SEQ,OSPE) CA2 Physiology (MCQ,SEQ) CA2 Biochemistry (MCQ,SEQ)
Y2S3	CNS & Special senses, Nutrition, Gross Anatomy (Head and Neck, Lower Limb), Revision	
Y2S4	Research in Medicine	

(CA: Continuous Assessment, CNS: Central Nervous System, GIT: Gastro-intestinal tract, ISM: Introduction to Study of Man, MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examinations, RS: Respiratory System, S: Semester, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions, CVS: Cardiovascular System, Y: Year)

#### Assessments in Pre-clinical academic programme

Assessment	Time of assessment	Assessment structure (marks allocated)	Content assessed	Contribution to 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination
Formative assessment 01 (FA1)	End of 8 weeks of Y1S1	Anatomy MCQ	M1101, M1105	Not Applicable
		Anatomy OSPE		
		Physiology MCQ	M1101, M1102	
		Biochemistry MCQ	M1101, M1102	
Continuous assessment 01 (CA1)	End of Y1S1	Anatomy MCQ (35)	M1101, M1103, M1104, M1105, M1106	10 marks
		Anatomy SEQ (35)		
		Anatomy OSPE (30)		
		Biochemistry MCQ (50)	M1101, M1102, M1103, M1104	10 marks
		Biochemistry SEQ (50)		
		Physiology MCQ (50)		
Physiology SEQ (50)	M1101, M1102, M1103, M1104	12.5 marks		
Formative assessment 02 (FA2)	During the 8 <sup>th</sup> week of Y1S2	Anatomy Viva	M1207, M1208, M1212	Not Applicable
		Physiology MCQ	M1207, M1208	
		Biochemistry MCQ	M1207, M1208, M1211	

Assessment	Time of assessment	Assessment structure (% marks allocated)	Content assessed	Contribution to 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination
Continuous assessment 02 (CA2)	End of Y1S2	Anatomy MCQ (35)	M1207, M1208, M1209, M1210, M1212, M1213	20 marks
		Anatomy SEQ (35)		
		Anatomy OSPE (30)		
		Biochemistry MCQ (50)	M1207, M1208, M1209, M1210, M1211	10 marks
		Biochemistry SEQ (50)		
		Physiology MCQ (50)	M1207, M1208, M1209, M1210	12.5 marks
Physiology SEQ (50)				
2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS (Main) examination	6 weeks after the end of preclinical course (Y2S1)	Anatomy MCQ (35)	ALL (except M1102, M1211)	70 from final exam 30 from CAs
		Anatomy SEQ (35)		
		Anatomy OSPE (30)		
		Biochemistry MCQ (30)	ALL (Except M1105, M1106, M1212, M1213, M2315)	80 from final exam 20 from CAs
		Biochemistry SEQ (30)		
		Biochemistry OSPE(20)		
		Physiology MCQ (30)	ALL (Except M1105, M1106, M1211, M1212, M1213, M2315)	75 from final exam 25 from CAs
		Physiology SEQ (30)		
Physiology OSPE (15)				
2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS (Repeat) examination	6 weeks after the release of results of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS (main) examination	Anatomy MCQ (35)	ALL (except M1102, M1211)	Marks of the CAs are not considered
		Anatomy SEQ (35)		
		Anatomy OSPE (30)		
		Biochemistry MCQ (40)	ALL (Except M1105, M1106, M1212, M1213, M2315)	
		Biochemistry SEQ (40)		
		Biochemistry OSPE (20)		
		Physiology MCQ (40)	ALL (Except M1105, M1106, M1211, M1212, M1213, M2315)	
		Physiology SEQ (40)		
Physiology OSPE (20)				

Successful completion of 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination is a prerequisite for entering the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. A student is allowed a maximum of 4 attempts to pass the above subjects. If unsuccessful after 4 attempts, the studentship will be terminated.

### Award of Distinctions

At the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS, students will be awarded distinctions and medals for Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry based on the marks obtained. Distinctions will be awarded to the students who obtain a mark of 70% or above at the first attempt and students who pass the examination at the first attempt.

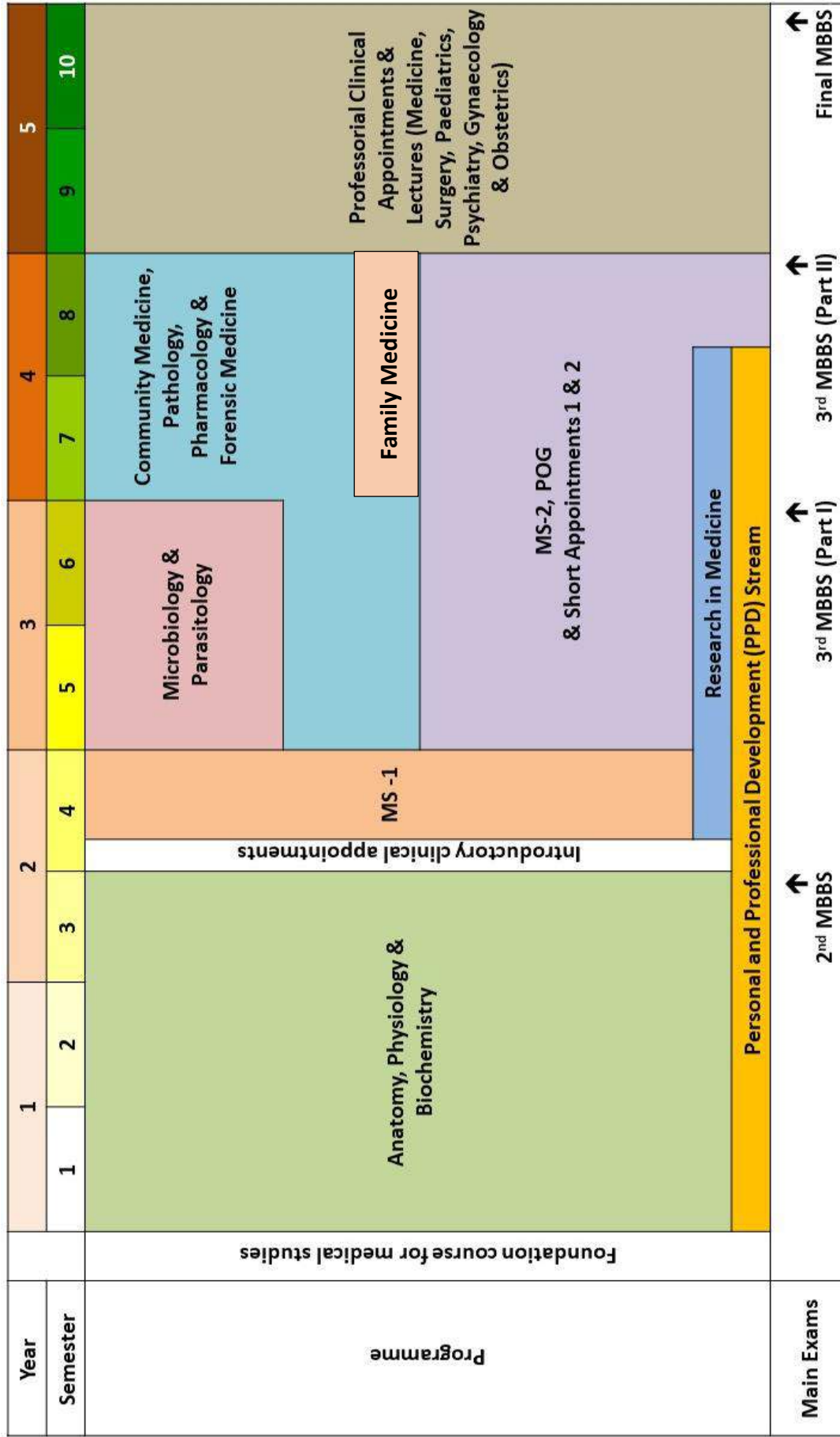


Figure 5: Structure of the MBBS Course

(MS-1: Medicine, Surgery -1 Appointment, MS-2: Medicine, Surgery -2 Appointment, POG: Paediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology Appointment)

### **Foundation to clinical practice**

Students are expected to follow an introductory clinical program at the Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura, following 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination.

### **Research in Medicine**

At the commencement of the 5<sup>th</sup> semester students will be grouped and a research should be conducted by each group under the supervision of a Senior Lecturer in the faculty. Four (4) semesters are allocated for Research in Medicine. Research protocol will be assessed after the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Ethical aspects of the research will be evaluated by the ERC committee and the report will be added to the assessments. Individual student assessment will be conducted by allocated research supervisors at the middle of the research process and at the completion of the research. Self-evaluation (reflective writing) and peer-evaluations on the individual contribution to the research process will be collected. All research groups are expected to do a research presentation at the end of the module at the Undergraduate Research Symposium, Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences. A review panel of experts will evaluate the student presentations. For Details of Summative assessment, please refer curriculum document.

### **Personal and Professional Development (PPD) Stream**

PPD stream has been included in the MBBS curriculum in 2016 to develop a graduate with values of highest ethical conduct and mutual respect. Further this stream was introduced to achieve the requirements of Sri Lanka Quality Framework (SLQF) level 7 learning outcomes; communication, teamwork and leadership, creativity and problem solving, networking and social skills, adaptability and flexibility, attitude values and professionalism and vision for life (SLQF learning outcomes 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11). PPD stream is conducted from year 1 to 4. Personal and professional is coordinated by the Department of Psychiatry and Medical education unit. For details of assessment please refer curriculum document.

## **3.3.4 Year 3**

All students who pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination will be allowed to proceed to the year 3 and clinical training. Students are expected to follow the clinical programme on all days other than designated holidays and the clinical programme does not follow the semester system.

## Structure of year 3 academic programme

Semester	Subjects	Assessment (components of examinations)
Y3S5	Parasitology, Microbiology, Pharmacology, Pathology, Community Medicine	CA3: Parasitology (SEQ) CA3: Microbiology (MCQ, practical examination) CA3: Pharmacology (MCQ) CA3: Pathology (SEQ) Community Medicine Module I (Child health) & II (Demography) (MCQ, SEQ)
Y3S6	Parasitology, Microbiology, Pharmacology, Pathology, Community Medicine	C CA4: Parasitology (SEQ) CA4: Microbiology (MCQ, OSPE) Community Medicine Module III (Maternal health) & Module IV (statistics) (SEQ)

(CA: Continuous Assessment, MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examinations, S: Semester, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions, Y: Year)

During the year 3, semester 5 and semester 6 clinical training will be provided in the morning hours and coursework will be in the afternoon. 100% attendance is compulsory for all clinical appointments. At the end of year 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-I examination will be held in the subjects Microbiology and Parasitology. The components of the 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-I examination are as follows:

### Year 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part I examination

Subject	Components of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS part 1 examination
Microbiology	MCQ (35%), SEQ (40%), OSPE (25%)
Parasitology	SEQ (25%), MCQ (25%), OSPE (35%), CA (20%)

(CA: Continuous Assessment, MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examinations, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions)

A student who does not obtain the pass mark for Microbiology and/or Parasitology must sit for the repeat examination. 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-I examination is not a bar examination and all students could proceed to year 4.

### Award of Distinctions

At the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-I examination, students will be awarded distinctions and medals for Microbiology and Parasitology based on marks obtained. Distinctions will be awarded to the students who obtain a mark of 70% or above at the first attempt and students who pass the examination at the first attempt.

### 3.3.5 Year 4

During year 4, semester 7 and semester 8, short appointments and long clinical rotations at Teaching Hospital Anuradhapura will be continued in the morning hours and course work related to Pharmacology, Pathology, Community Medicine and Forensic Medicine will be conducted in the afternoons. Hundred percent (100%) attendance is compulsory for all clinical appointments.

#### Structure of the Year 4 Academic Programme

Semester	Subjects	Assessment (Components of examinations)
Y4S7	Pharmacology, Pathology, Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine	CA4 Pharmacology (MCQ) CA4 Pathology (SEQ) Community Medicine Module V (Basic epidemiology) & Module VI (Nutrition) (SEQ) CA4 Forensic Medicine
Y4S8	Pharmacology, Pathology, Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine	Community Medicine Module VII (Applied epidemiology) & Module VIII (Occupational and environmental health) (SEQ)

(CA: Continuous Assessment, MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, S: Semester, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions, Y: Year)

At the end of year 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-II examination is held including subjects of Pharmacology, Community Medicine, Pathology and Forensic Medicine. The components of the 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-II examination are as follows:

#### Year 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part II examination

Subjects	Assessment (Components of examinations)
Pharmacology	MCQ (28%), SEQ (28%), OSPE (14%), CA (30%)
Community Medicine	Paper 1 (Non-Communicable Diseases) – SEQ Paper 2 – SEQ, OSPHE Viva and project report for family study
Pathology	Essay (40%), OSPE (20%), CA (15%), MCQ (25%)
Forensic Medicine	SEQ (20%), Essay (50%), OSPE (30%)
Family Medicine	SEQ (40%), MCQ (40%), OSCE (20%)

(CA: Continuous Assessment, MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examinations, OSPHE: Objective Structured Public Health Examinations, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions)

A student who does not obtain the pass mark for Pharmacology, Pathology Forensic medicine and Family medicine must sit the repeat examination. 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-II examination is not a bar examination and all students could proceed to year 5.

## Overall Assessment of the Community Medicine course

Final marks will be calculated using weighted average of all modular assessments. Weighted average will be calculated based on notional hours assigned to each module. For details of assessment please refer to curriculum documents.

### Criteria to obtain a pass in Community Medicine course

A student should,

1. Score a minimum weighted average of 50% for the course
2. Not have a score of less than 30% for a given module
3. Score a minimum of 50% for the Public Health in Practice I module (Family Study Programme)

Students obtaining marks less than 30 for a given module should sit for the particular module paper again. However, the maximum mark allocated for subsequent attempts is limited to 50 marks.

### Award of Distinctions

At the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-II examination students will be awarded distinctions and medals for Community Medicine, Pathology, Pharmacology, Forensic medicine and Family medicine based on the marks obtained. Distinctions will be awarded to the students who obtain a mark of 70% or above at the first attempt and students who pass the examination at the first attempt. Distinctions in Community Medicine will be awarded to the students who obtain score a minimum weighted average of 70% with the minimum of 50% for each module at the first attempt and who pass the examination at the first attempt.

## 3.3.6 Year 5

Year 5, equivalent to 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> semesters, is spent entirely in clinical training in Professorial units at the TH Anuradhapura. Hundred percent (100%) attendance is compulsory for all clinical appointments. However, afternoon lectures will be conducted by the departments of Surgery, Medicine, Gynaecology and Obstetrics, Paediatrics, Psychiatry and Anaesthesiology. At the end of the year 5, Final MBBS Examination will be held. Components of the Final MBBS examination are as follows:

### Components of Final MBBS examination

The MCQ paper is common to all faculties of Medicine and is held on the same day at the same time in all the faculties. The common MCQ examination is held twice a year. The pass mark with respect to each subject is described by the UGC standing committee document (section IV). Distinctions will be awarded to the students who obtain a mark of 70% or above at the first attempt. The students will have to complete the final MBBS within ten academic years from the date of entering the university.

Subject	Components of assessment
Medicine	Common MCQ (20%), SEQ (20%), Long case (20%), Short cases (20%), OSCE (20%)
Surgery	Common MCQ (20%), SEQ (20%), Long case (20%), Short cases (20%), OSCE (20%)
Paediatrics	Common MCQ (20%), SEQ (20%), Long case (20%), Short cases (20%), OSCE (20%)
Gynaecology and Obstetrics	Common MCQ (20%), SEQ (20%), Gynaecology case (20%), Obstetrics case (20%), OSCE (20%)
Psychiatry	Common MCQ (25%), SEQ (25%), MOCE (15%), Long case (25%), OSCE (10%)

(MCQ: Multiple Choice Questions, MOCE: Mini Observed Clinical Examination, OSPE: Objective Structured Practical Examinations, OSCE: Objective Structured Clinical Examination, SEQ: Structured Essay Questions)

### 3.3.7 Outline of the Clinical Programme

Appointment	Duration		
Introductory clinical appointments (Semester 4)	Medicine	2 weeks	2 weeks
	Surgery		
	Gynaecology & Obstetrics		
	Paediatrics		
MS-1 appointments (Semester 4)	Medicine	4 weeks	8 weeks
	Surgery	4 weeks	
POG appointments (Semester 5 to 8)	Paediatrics	4 weeks	8 weeks
	Gynaecology & Obstetrics	4 weeks	
Year 3 and year 4 (Semester 5 to 8)	Medicine (2)	6 X 2 weeks	24 weeks
	Surgery (2)	6 X 2 weeks	
	<b>Short appointments I</b>		30 weeks
	Neurosurgery	2 weeks	
	Oncology	2 weeks	
	Dermatology	2 weeks	
	Forensic Medicine	2 weeks	
	Clinical Pathology	2 weeks	
	Anaesthesiology	2 weeks	
	Radiology	2 weeks	
	Cardiology	2 weeks	
	Rheumatology	2 weeks	
	Neurology	2 weeks	
	Respiratory Medicine	2 weeks	
	ENT	2 weeks	
	Ophthalmology	2 weeks	
STD	2 weeks		
Urology/Nephrology	2 weeks		



Appointment		Duration	
Year 3 and year 4 (Semester 5 to 8)	<b>Short appointments II</b>		
	Psychiatry	4 weeks	22 weeks
	Paediatrics	4 weeks	
	Gynaecology & Obstetrics	4 weeks	
	Orthopaedics	4 weeks	
	Community Medicine	4 weeks	
Family Medicine	2 weeks		
Professorial appointments (Semester 9&10)	Medicine	8 weeks	40 weeks
	Surgery	8 weeks	
	Paediatrics	8 weeks	
	Gynaecology & Obstetrics	8 weeks	
	Psychiatry	8 weeks	
<b>Total</b>			<b>134 weeks</b>

### 3.4 Criteria for awarding class for the MBBS Degree

<50.00	⇒ Referred
≥50.00	⇒ Pass
59.50 ≤ 64.50	⇒ Second Class Honours (Lower division)
64.51 ≤ 69.50	⇒ Second Class Honours (Upper division)
≥ 69.51	⇒ First Class Honours

**Please refer MBBS Curriculum 2016 for more information, available at [http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/images/documents/mbbs\\_curriculum\\_2016.pdf](http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/images/documents/mbbs_curriculum_2016.pdf) and at the Medical Library**

**The List of Skills Expected from a Medically Qualified Graduate that should be acquired at the end of the MBBS course is available in the MBBS Curriculum.**

### 3.5 Criteria for awarding Gold Medals

#### 3.5.1 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS Examination

Subject	Performance of Students	Criteria	Name of the Gold Medal
Anatomy	Best Performance in Anatomy	Minimum of second class upper division in 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Anatomy, highest aggregate in Anatomy	Prof. Malkanthi Chandrasekera gold medal in Anatomy
Physiology	Best Performance in Physiology	Minimum of second class upper division in 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Physiology, highest aggregate in Physiology	Prof. Malini Udupihille gold medal in Physiology
Biochemistry	Best Performance in Biochemistry	Minimum of second class upper division in 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Biochemistry, highest aggregate in Biochemistry	Prof. PAJ Perera gold medal in Biochemistry
2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS Overall	Best overall Performance at the 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS Examination	Minimum of second class upper division in 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS Examination, highest aggregate in 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination	Prof. PAJ Perera gold medal for overall best Performance in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> MBBS Examination

### 3.5.2 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Examination

Subject	Performance of Students	Criteria	Name of the Gold Medal
Parasitology	Best Performance in Parasitology	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Parasitology, highest aggregate in Parasitology	Prof. Sarath Edirisinghe gold medal in Parasitology
Microbiology	Best Performance in Microbiology	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Microbiology, highest aggregate in Microbiology	Prof. Danister Weilgama gold medal in Microbiology
Pharmacology	Best Performance in Pharmacology	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Pharmacology, highest aggregate in Pharmacology	Prof. Anura Weerasinghe gold medal in Pharmacology
Pathology	Best Performance in Pathology	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Pathology, highest aggregate in Pathology	Dr. Vasana Mendis gold medal in Pathology
Forensic Medicine	Best Performance in Forensic Medicine	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Forensic Medicine, highest aggregate in Forensic Medicine	Dr. Dhananjaya Waidyaratne gold medal in Forensic Medicine
Community Medicine	Outstanding Performance in Community Medicine	Minimum of second class lower division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Community Medicine, highest aggregate in field practice & research	Prof. Suneth Agampodi gold medal for outstanding performance in Community Medicine
	Highest aggregate in Community Medicine	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination & distinction in Community Medicine, highest aggregate in Community Medicine	Department of Community Medicine gold medal for highest aggregate in Community Medicine
3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS overall	Best overall Performance in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS Examination	Minimum of second class upper division in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS examination, highest aggregate in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS Examination	Dr. A.B. Senavirathna gold medal for best overall Performance in 3 <sup>rd</sup> MBBS Examination

### 3.5.3 Final MBBS Examination

Subject	Performance of Students	Criteria	Name of the Gold Medal
Medicine	Best Performance in Medicine	Minimum of second class upper division in final MBBS examination & distinction in Medicine, highest aggregate in Medicine	Prof. Sisira Siribaddana gold medal in Medicine
Obstetrics & Gynecology	Best Performance in Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Minimum of second class upper division in final MBBS examination & distinction in Obstetrics & Gynaecology, highest aggregate in Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Nandana Hettigama gold medal in Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Paediatrics	Best Performance in Paediatrics	Minimum of second class upper division in final MBBS examination & distinction in Paediatrics, highest aggregate in Paediatrics	Dr. Mohamed Rayes Musthafa gold medal in Paediatrics
Surgery	Best Performance in Surgery	Minimum of second class upper division in final MBBS examination & distinction in Surgery, highest aggregate in Surgery	Prof. Arjuna Panchkori Ram Aluvihare gold medal in Surgery
Final MBBS overall	Best overall Performance at the final MBBS examination	Minimum of second class upper division in final MBBS examination, highest aggregate in final MBBS examination (four subjects or five subjects)	Dr. N.J. Dahanayake gold medal for overall best performance at the final MBBS examination

### 3.6 Criteria for awarding Dean's Award

Best students in each of the following categories shall be selected for the Dean's award:

1. Dean's Award for the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS (based on 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS results and extracurricular activities with proven documents from the date of entrance to the FMAS, RUSL, to the end date of 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS repeat examination of that particular batch)
2. Dean's Award for the 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS (based on 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part I, II results and extracurricular activities with proven documents from the end date of 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS repeat examination to the end date of 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part II repeat examination of that particular batch)
3. Dean's Award for the Final MBBS (based on Final MBBS results and extracurricular activities with proven documents from the end date of 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part 2 repeat examination to the end date of final MBBS repeat examination of that particular batch)

The marking scheme considers academic performance and performance in extracurricular activities, listed below, in scoring.

- Achievements and participation in sports
- Active involvement in student societies
- Active participation and achievements in cultural/ aesthetic events
- Active involvement in organizing committees (cultural/ social/ sports/ academic event/ symposia/ religious)
- Individual and group research work and publications
- Innovations/ Patents
- Engagement in social work

#### Procedure

- A notice on Dean's list will be displayed on students' notice boards after every 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS repeat, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS part II repeat and final MBBS repeat examinations. Students who sat for the relevant examinations can apply for the award.
- Students who have applied for the award on or before the deadline will be considered for the award and late submissions will not be entertained.
- List of students who are eligible to be in the Dean's list for a particular examination will be tabled at the Faculty Board and a certificate of achievement will be awarded.
- A certificate of achievement and the Dean's Gold Medal will be awarded for the best student of each category (2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS, 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS, Final MBBS) at an award ceremony which will be held at the consequent Faculty Board/ convocation.

## Application Procedure

- Students shall apply for the awards using the application form issued by the University. Application forms shall be available at Dean's office and can be downloaded from University web site
- Students shall submit certified copies of all the documentary evidence with the application
- Students shall submit their applications through their Mentors/Academic Advisers who shall certify the contents of the applications
- Students shall prepare and participate for an interview if the selection panel requests

## Eligibility Criteria

- Students obtaining 2nd Class Lower division or above in the first attempt of the examinations (2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS/ 3<sup>rd</sup> MBBS Part-II/ Final MBBS) held during the respective year will be eligible for an award
- Students can score marks under 6 criteria. The minimum mark for academic work will be 240. The minimum total mark of 420 should be scored to be eligible for the Dean's award
- Final decision regarding the nomination will be taken by the Dean's list committee
- Final decision regarding the Dean's list should be approved at the Faculty Board, Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences, RUSL
- Any student who has been punished by the University and/or warned (in writing) by the Vice Chancellor or Deputy Vice Chancellor or Dean as found guilty for any misconduct [i.e. violation of university rules and regulations, examination rules and regulations, damage to the image of the university/ faculty during his/her university career (up to the respective year)] shall not be eligible for an award

## 3.7 Common merit list

Common merit list of all graduates in the state universities are prepared, on performance at Final MBBS examination, by the UGC and sent to the Ministry of Health after the final MBBS exam for internship appointments. Raw MCQ marks and Z scores of clinical exams are taken into account when preparing the common merit list.

## 3.8 Internship

Successful completion of internship is compulsory to obtain Sri Lanka Medical Council registration and to practice Medicine in Sri Lanka. It is a part of training to become a medical doctor. Without internship and Sri Lanka Medical Council registration you are unable to practice Medicine in Sri Lanka.

## 4. RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO EXAMINATIONS



### 4.1 General examination rules and regulations

- i. Candidates shall be in attendance outside the examination hall at least 15 minutes before the commencement of each paper but shall not enter the halls until they are requested to do so by the supervisor.
- ii. On admission to the hall a candidate shall occupy the seat allotted to him and shall not change it except on the specific instructions of the supervisor.
- iii. No candidate shall be admitted to the examination hall for any reason whatsoever after the expiry of half an hour from the commencement of the examination. Nor shall a candidate be allowed to leave the hall until half an hour has lapsed from the commencement of the examination or during the last 15 minutes of the paper.
- iv. A candidate shall have his student record book and the admission card with him in the examination hall on every occasion he presents himself for a paper. His candidature is liable to be cancelled if he does not produce the record book. If he fails to bring his record book on any occasion, he shall sign a declaration in respect of the paper for which he had not produced the record book in the form provided for it, and produce the record book on the next occasion when he appears for the examination. If it is the last paper or the only paper he is sitting, he shall produce the record book to the registrar on the following day. If a candidate loses his record book in the course of the examination, he shall obtain a duplicate record book/ identity card from the registrar, for production at the examination hall.
- v. No candidate shall have on his person or in his clothes, or on the admission card, time table or record book any notes signs or formulate etc. Books, notes, parcels, hand bags etc., which a candidate has brought with him, should be kept at a place indicated by the supervisor/ invigilator.
- vi. A candidate may be required by the supervisor to declare any item in his possession or person.
- vii. No candidate shall copy or attempt to copy from any book, paper, notes, or similar material or from the scripts of another candidate. Nor shall any candidate either help another candidate or obtain help from another candidate or any other person. Nor shall any candidate conduct himself so negligently that an opportunity is given to any other candidate to read anything

written by him or to watch any practical examination performed by him. Nor shall any candidate use any other unfair means, obtain, or render improper assistance at the examination.

- viii. No candidate shall submit a practical or field book, dissertation, or project study or answer script, which has been done wholly or partly by anyone other than the candidate himself.
- ix. Candidate shall bring their own pens, ink, mathematical instruments, erasers, pencils, or any other approved equipment or stationery, which they have been, instructed to bring.
- x. Examination stationery (i.e., Writing paper, graph paper, drawing paper, ledger paper, précis paper etc.) will be supplied as and when necessary. No sheet of paper or answer book supplied to a candidate may be torn crumpled, folded or otherwise mutilated. No paper other than those supplied to him by the supervisor/ invigilator shall be used by candidates. Log tables or any other material provided shall be used with care and left behind on the desk. All the material supplied, whether used or unused, shall be left behind on the desk and not to be removed from the examination halls.
- xi. Every candidate shall enter his index number on the answer book and on every continuation paper. He shall also enter all necessary particulars as indicted in the cover of the answer book. A candidate who inserts on his script and index number other than his own is liable to be considered as having attempted to cheat. A script that bears no index number or an index number, which cannot be identified, is liable to be rejected. No candidate shall write his name or any other identifying mark on the answer script.
- xii. All calculations and rough work shall be done only on paper supplied for the examination and shall be cancelled and attached to the answer script. Such work should not be done on admission cards, timetables, question papers, record books or on any other paper. Any candidate who disregards these instructions runs the risk of being considered as having written notes or outline of answers with the intention of copying.
- xiii. Any answer or part of an answer, which is not to be considered for the purpose of assessment, shall be neatly crossed out. If the same question has been attempted in more than one place the answer or answers that are not to be counted shall be neatly crossed out.
- xiv. Candidates are under the authority of the supervisor and shall assist him by carrying out his instructions and those of his invigilators, during the examination and immediately before and after it.
- xv. Every candidate shall conduct himself in the examination hall and its precincts so as not to cause disturbance or inconvenience to the supervisor or his staff or to other candidates. In entering and leaving the hall, he shall conduct himself as quietly as possible. A candidate is liable to be excluded from the examination hall for disorderly conduct.
- xvi. Candidates shall stop work promptly when ordered by the supervisor/ invigilator to do so.



- xvii. Absolute silence shall be maintained in the examination hall and its precincts. A candidate is not permitted for any reason whatsoever to communicate or to have any dealings with any person other than the supervisor/ invigilator.
- xviii. During the course of answering a paper, no candidate shall be permitted to leave the examination hall temporarily. In case of an emergency, the supervisor/ invigilator shall grant him permission to do so but the candidate will be under his surveillance.
- xix. No person shall impersonate a candidate at the examination, nor shall any candidate allow himself to be so impersonated by another person.
- xx. Serious note will be taken of any dishonest assistance given to a candidate, by any person.
- xxi. If circumstances arise which in the opinion of the supervisor render the cancellation or postponement of the examination necessary, he shall stop the examination, collect the scripts already written and then report the matter as soon as possible to the Vice chancellor/ Registrar.
- xxii. The supervisor/ invigilator is empowered to require any candidate to make a statement in writing on any matter, which may have arisen during the course of the examination, and such statement shall be signed by the candidate. No candidate shall refuse to make such a statement or to sign it.
- xxiii. No candidate shall contact any person other than the Vice Chancellor, Dean, Head of the Department or the Registrar regarding any matter concerning the examination.
- xxiv. Every candidate shall hand over the answer script personally to the supervisor/ invigilator or remain in his seat until it is collected. On no account shall a candidate hand over his answer script to the attendant, a minor employee or another candidate.
- xxv. Every candidate who registers for an examination shall be deemed to have sat the examination unless he/she withdraws from the examination within the specified period or submits a medical certificate prior to the commencement of the examination. The medical certificate shall be from the university medical officer. If this is not possible, the medical certificate should be obtained from a Government Medical Practitioner, and submitted to the university medical officer at the earliest possible time.
- xxvi. When a candidate is unable to present himself for any part/ section of an examination, he shall notify or cause to be notified this fact to the Registrar immediately. This should be confirmed in writing with supporting documents within 48 hours by registered post.
- xxvii. A student who withdraws or absents himself from the examination shall not be eligible for classes at the next examination unless the senate decides otherwise.
- xxviii. No student shall sit an examination, if he has exhausted the number of attempts that he is allowed to sit that particular examination, unless he has been granted special permission to do so by the Senate.

## 4.2 Examination irregularities/offences and punishments

The regulations (amended) concerning;

1. examination procedures, examination irregularities and punishments prepared by the committee appointed at the 162<sup>nd</sup> and 174<sup>th</sup> University Senate Meetings on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2013 and 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014 respectively.

**These amended regulations will be referred to as “No. 1 of 1989 regulations concerning examination procedures, examination irregularities and punishments (amended) 2014” and is effective from 20<sup>th</sup> August 2015.**

2. amended sections related to examination offences and punishments for candidates in the Examinations By-Law, FMAS, RUSL approved at the 140<sup>th</sup> faculty board meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and 331<sup>st</sup> University Senate Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021.

### A. Examination Irregularities/offences

Examination irregularities/offences are classified briefly as follows.

- a. Possession of unauthorized documents or removal of examination stationary
- b. Possession of communication device such as cell phones pagers, smart-phones, smart-watches, tabs, etc. Whether they are used or not is immaterial, mere possession of them in the exam hall is an examination offence.
- c. Possession of any unauthorized electronic device. Whether they are used or not is immaterial, mere possession of them in the exam hall is an examination offence.
- d. Copying<sup>1</sup>
- e. Obtaining or attempting to obtain improper assistance or cheating<sup>2</sup> or attempting to cheat.
- f. Impersonation<sup>3</sup>
- g. Plagiarism<sup>4</sup>
- h. Attempting to get to know (a) question(s) or part of a question prior to the examination or during the examination through an any person by an unauthorized manner
- i. Attempting to reveal (a) question(s) or part of a question to another candidate prior to the examination or during the examination
- j. Disorderly conduct<sup>5</sup>
- k. Violation of any of the requirement or condition in examination procedure in section 12 of this document.
- l. Violation of any of the examination rules for the candidates in section 24.1 of this document.
- m. Aiding and abetting the commission of any of these offences listed above (a to l)

<sup>1</sup> *Communicating answers from or to another person*

<sup>2</sup> *Act of fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment including examination, or using or attempting to use or assisting others in using materials including communication devices that are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of an academic assignment*

*including examination to gain undue advantage, removal of stationary belonging to the University that are pertaining to examinations from the examination hall*

<sup>3</sup>*An act of pretending to be another person for the purpose of fraud or using another person to pretend to be self*

<sup>4</sup>*The practice of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off as one's own*

<sup>5</sup>*Unruly behavior, Not heeding to instructions of or influencing the Supervisor, Invigilator(s) and other staff, any act that may disrupt the conduct of the examination*

## B. Punishments for examination irregularities/offences

<b>Irregularity/ Offence</b>	<b>Minimum Punishment</b>	<b>Maximum Punishment</b>
<b>a, b, c, j, k, l</b>	Severe warning	Cancellation of the candidature from all the subjects of the particular main examination in which the offence was committed and three additional main examinations with or without suspension from the University for the same period.
<b>d, e</b>	Cancellation of the candidature from the all the components of the subject in which the offence was committed.	Cancellation of the candidature from all the subjects of the particular main examination in which the offence was committed and three additional main examinations with or without suspension from the University for the same period.
<b>f</b>	Cancellation of the candidature from all the subjects of the main examination in which the offence was committed and suspension from the University for six additional semesters, including examinations.	Expulsion as a student of the University and/ or appropriate legal action.
<b>g</b> (in a CA), <b>h, i</b>	Cancellation of the candidature from the particular component of the subject in which the offence was committed.	Cancellation of the candidature from all the components of the subject in which the offence was committed and two additional semesters.
<b>g</b> (in a main examination)	Cancellation of the candidature from all the components of the subject in which the offence was committed.	Expulsion as a student of the University and/or appropriate legal action
<b>m</b>	Severe warning	Expulsion as a student of the University and/or appropriate legal action

**University disciplinary committee shall be at liberty to increase the punishments prescribed here, considering the nature of the examination irregularity/offence committed. The punishments recommended by the University disciplinary committee will be executed on the approval of the University Senate.**

### **4.3 Examination rules applicable to the MBBS degree course**

- (a) The number of attempts at the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination is limited to four while the maximum period of study in the faculty is 10 years. Passing the 2<sup>nd</sup> MBBS examination is compulsory to continue the course.
- (b) The examination immediately following the completion of the course shall be deemed to be the first available examination.
- I. To “sit an examination” denotes taking all components of the examination needed for completion of the examination, at one sitting of the same examination.
  - II. A student must sit the first available examination unless a valid excuse has been submitted to the faculty and accepted by the Senate.
  - III. This first available opportunity to sit an examination shall be considered the first attempt whether the student “sits the examination or not”.
- (c) In the event of an excuse submitted to the faculty for failure to sit an available examination being accepted by the senate, that examination shall not be considered an attempt.
- A valid excuse shall be,
- *an illness* – In case of illness while in residence, the student should consult the University/Faculty Medical Officer at the Student Health Center immediately. If a student falls sick at home or elsewhere during sessions or examination time, the student or his/her guardian should inform the Dean of the faculty within 5 days by telegram, telephone, fax or email followed by a letter indicating the nature of illness and the name of the attending doctor. The student should report to the University Medical Officer with a valid medical certificate as early as possible.
  - *a personal problem involving an immediate family member* – In case of a personal problem involving an immediate family member, the student should contact the Dean of faculty immediately by telegram, email or fax followed by a letter indicating the circumstances leading to his or her being absent from the examination. The Faculty Board will consider his/her excuse. Grounds for consideration would be,
    - i) Death of an immediate family member (immediate family members considered for this purpose are parents and siblings)

ii) Serious illness of an immediate family member requiring personal attention by the student, certified by a Medical Practitioner as per Senate rules governing medical certificates.

- Students participating in a University or National level event for which prior permission has been obtained from the Dean.
- Any other cause such as a natural disaster certified by a competent authority clearly precluding a student from sitting the examination.

(d) If the Senate has accepted the excuse for failure to sit the first available examination, the examination immediately following on the expiry of the period of postponement recommended by the faculty and accepted by the Senate shall be the student's first attempt. Any subsequent attempt must be taken at the very next available examination, subject to the provision in respect of a valid excuse as defined in above.

(e) In the absence of an accepted excuse, failure to sit the first available examination will be considered an unsuccessful attempt at the Examination.

(f) At any given examination, a student must take all subjects in which he needs to pass to complete the examination.

(g) Examination marks and honors

Average for whole examination

70% or above	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
65-69%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Honours (upper division)
60-64%	2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Honours (lower division)
50-59%	Pass
Below 50%	Referred

Average for each subject

70% or above	Distinction
50-69%	Pass
Below 50%	Referred

Classes and distinctions are only awarded to candidates who pass the whole examination at the 1<sup>st</sup> attempt.

**Please refer Examination by-laws for more information, available at**  
**[http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/images/examination\\_branch/exam\\_by\\_laws/EXAMINATION\\_BY\\_LAWS\\_15-11-2017.pdf](http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/images/examination_branch/exam_by_laws/EXAMINATION_BY_LAWS_15-11-2017.pdf)**  
**and at the Medical Library**

## 5. DISCIPLINE AND CONDUCT



Students should maintain proper standards of conduct and behaviour within the faculty and hostels and also outside. A student guilty of misdemeanour is liable to be suspended for a varying period of time or be expelled from the University. A few matters relating to conduct and discipline are highlighted below.

***Medical students are warned that it is illegal to engage in any form of medical practice, such as working with a general practitioner even under supervision, before lawfully qualifying as a doctor. Doing so could result in severe disciplinary action by the faculty and prosecution by the police in a court-of-law. The Sri Lanka Medical Council could even withhold registration to practice as a medical practitioner in Sri Lanka.***

### 5.1 General rules and regulations

#### Student Identity Card

Students must obtain their identity cards on admission to this University from the student Registration Branch, housed in the Senate building at Mihintale. The student identity card must be carried by the student during all times when within faculty premises. If lost, it must be immediately reported to Dean's office with a police certificate to that effect. An additional fee will be charged for replacement of the identity card.

#### Student Registration

In accordance with the rules of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, students are required to register at the commencement of the academic programme, and at the beginning of each academic year thereafter. Registration will be coordinated by the Students Service Unit, FMAS.

#### Dress

Dress should be clean, neat and simple. Shorts, miniskirts (above knee level) and rubber slippers should not be worn within the faculty premises. The students are not allowed to cover the face when participating in any teaching /learning and examination related activities. Candidates shall dress in smart professional attire, and wear a white clinical coat at the clinical examinations and laboratory practical examinations. Casual wear (i.e. shorts, t-shirts and flip flop) are not permitted. Both the ears must be kept uncovered.

### **Dissatisfaction and Discontent**

Student disagreement, dissatisfaction and discontent had been dealt with through dialogue and not through strikes from the beginning of the faculty. We believe that strikes are not weapons to be used by medical students and doctors.

### **Alcohol and Smoking**

Consumption of alcohol and smoking on faculty premises and in hostels is strictly forbidden. Serious disciplinary actions shall be taken for such misbehaviours.

### **Tidiness and cleanliness of the faculty**

Please keep the Faculty clean and tidy. Litter should be thrown into litterbins. Students are not permitted to paste posters on walls. They may be displayed on a frame. Toilets and student discussion areas should be kept clean.

### **Punctuality and Attendance**

Students must make every effort not to be late for classes. Students who are late by more than 10 minutes for a class will be marked absent.

Eighty percent (80%) attendance is required at practicals, Small Group Discussions, Tutorials and Problem Based Learning sessions in order to sit for the next continuous assessment or final assessment. Hundred percent (100%) attendance is mandatory for the successful completion of clinical appointments **(N.B.: students who do not have sufficient percentage of attendance for at least one subject are not eligible for all the subjects of the particular examination).**

A student should not be absent without leave. Students who require leave should apply in writing to the Dean in advance (Annexure 1). If absence is due to unforeseen circumstances, the leave application should be submitted as soon as possible, not later than the first day of the student's return to the class.

In case of illness extending for three days or more, a medical certificate issued by the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of RUSL should be submitted to the Dean. If a medical certificate is issued by a doctor other than the CMO, it should be certified by the CMO.

The medical certificate submission form available at Examinations division should be used when submitting medical certificates for examinations related matters.

### **Fees and Payments**

Fees, where necessary, should be paid on due dates.

### **Meetings/Functions of student societies/bodies**

Student societies shall hold meetings/functions subject on the condition that prior permission has been obtained from the Dean.

Such requests should be forwarded through the Senior Treasurer of the society and should contain the following particulars:

- Time date and place of the meeting/function
- Names of speakers (where applicable) and
- Whether any person other than a student or a teacher of the Rajarata University has been invited to the meeting

## 5.2 Ragging

Ragging (*navakavadaya*) in any form is considered a grave offence. The faculty has declared that it has zero tolerance for ragging. The student if proved to have engaged in any form of ragging will have to face serious disciplinary actions such as suspension or expulsion. The offences listed in the Prohibition of Ragging and Other Forms of Violence in Educational Institutions Act No.20 of 1998 (Annexure 2) are:

- a) forcible occupation and damage to property of an educational institution
- b) ragging
- c) hostage taking
- d) wrongful restraint
- e) unlawful confinement

Any incident of ragging should be reported to the Dean, Deputy Proctor of FMAS, Student Counselors immediately. In addition, students are encouraged to use the online complaints and redress mechanism for ragging, that has been developed and centrally managed by the UGC with the aim of establishing a violence free environment in universities where students and staff can work with security and dignity (<http://www.ugc.ac.lk/rag/>).

**Ragging complaint portal / නවකවදයහා සම්බන්ධ පැමිණිලි ඉදිරිපත් කිරීමේ බිහිදොර /  
පතිඳිවතෙ මුறைප් පාட்டு වායියල්**

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## Volunteer Staff

**Chief Medical Officer:** Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara

<b>Medical Officers:</b>	Dr. TC Agampodi (Founder)	Dr. SP Wickramage
	Dr. HECS Kumara	Dr. AMMV Kumari
	Dr. SMA Jayawardana	Dr. CS Paththinige
	Dr. PRSRJ Bandara	Dr. NKA Silva
	Dr. WGSS Waiddyanatha	Dr. D Rathish
	Dr. MGRSS Gunathilaka	Dr. JMDD Jayasundara
	Dr. YPJN Warnasekara	Dr. RMSI Rajapakse
	Dr. PLK Abeyarathna	Dr. HMIU Jayasinghe
	Dr. Ayes Hettiarachchi	
	<b>Consultants</b>	Prof. SH Siribaddana
	Dr. MRP Weerawansa	Dr. RDNC Sarathchandra
	Dr. NC Lokunarangoda	Dr. SPB Thalgaspitiya
	Dr. Hemal Senanayaka	Dr. SenakaPilapitiya
	Dr. WSMKJ Senanayake	Dr. S Srishankar
	Dr. NP Hettigama	Dr. DM Ajith Kumara
	Dr. BAM Wickramasinghe	Dr. SMBH Abeyratne
	Dr. Amila Isuru	Dr. A Jayathilake
<b>Support staff</b>	Ms. NPK Liyanage	

In addition to this center, the university health center located in the main campus, at Mihintale, that also provides health care facilities to all the university students via a daily out patient service.

## 6.3 Accommodation

All students who fulfill the eligibility criteria to receive hostel facilities will be provided with hostels for accommodation from first year onwards.

### Academic Wardens

- **Dr. YPJN Waranasekara**  
(Academic Warden-Male)  
Senior Lecturer  
Department of Community Medicine  
071-3181238
- **Dr. MGRSS Gunathilaka**  
(Academic Warden-Female)  
Senior Lecturer  
Department of Microbiology  
071-1997323 / 077-3153361

### Sub wardens

- Mr. RIU Nirmal (071-1080467)
- Ms. DMJS Dissanayake (071-4458653)

- Main Hostels:**
- **Pandukabhaya Hostel**, Bulankulama Disamawatha, Stage 2
  - **Wijayabahu Hostel**, Faculty Premises, Saliyapura

#### **Other Hostels (Male)**

Gamunu Hostel, Saliyapura.

Ranaweera hostel, No 27/B, Gamsabha Mawataha, Puliyan kulama.

Nandaneer hostel, 150/C, Gamsabha Mawataha, Puliyan kulama.

SMA Pushpakumara, "Sureka", Gam Sabha Mw, Puliyan kulama, Saliyapura.

DUS Karunadasa, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lane, Galwala Junction, Saliyapura.

L Liyanage, 92, Old Water Tank Rd, Theppan kulama, Saliyapura.

KMGP Karawita, 435, Old post 4, Pankulama, Jaffna Rd, Saliyapura.

#### **Other Hostels (Female)**

Ground Hostel, Faculty Premises, Saliyapura.

Gamage Hostel, Saliyapura

Amarasena Hostel, Anuradhapura.

## **6.4 Financial support and scholarships**

### **Mahapola scholarship**

The Mahapola Trust Fund of the Ministry of Trade and Shipping awards Mahapola Scholarships to selected students entering the university.

### **University Bursary assistance scheme**

Bursary assistance is awarded to selected students not receiving the Mahapola scholarship.

### **Saubhagya students' scholarship scheme**

In addition to Mahapola and University Bursary assistance schemes, students can apply for the faculty Saubhagya students' scholarship scheme, which operates under the guidance of Dr. SP Wickramage (founder and coordinator of Saubhagya students' scholarship scheme). More details could be obtained from the Department of Physiology.

## **6.5 Library**

Library services were described in 2.10.1 under Academic Supporting Centres. Medical library is open to users from 0830h - 2215h from Monday-Friday and from 0830h - 1630h in weekends and public holidays. Professorial unit library is open to users from 1000h - 2215h from Monday-Friday and from 0830h - 1630h in Saturday.

## **6.6 Reading room**

The reading room is a part of the library designated for quiet, individual study. The room is fully covered by the Wi-Fi network and most tables have nearby electrical outlets. Opening hours similar to the library opening hours.

## **6.7 Internet Services and Computer Laboratory**

All the departments of the Faculty and library is equipped with the 4Mbps internet connections and additional Wi-Fi facilities. Wi-Fi zones are operated in student canteen, common rooms and almost all open lobbies of the Faculty. These facilities are to be used strictly for educational activities.

## **6.8 Faculty website**

The Faculty website is intended to provide information, materials, and guidance for all academic work. Information on all the administrative and supportive services are available in this website. This website is regularly updated and students are expected to access the website to get the recent updates and important news. Faculty website can be accessed at [www.rjt.ac.lk/med/](http://www.rjt.ac.lk/med/).

## **6.9 Faculty Cell of the Department of English Language Teaching**

The Faculty Cell of the Department of English Language Teaching comes under the purview of Department of English Language Teaching, Mihintale.

The predominant focus of the Department of English Language Teaching is to enhance the English Language Proficiency of the undergraduates, which permits them to shape their personality as skilful professionals along with the refined communication skills in English.

In terms of the services provided by the Faculty Cell of the Department of English Language Teaching, students have access to an English Language Laboratory at the main campus, Mihintale where they are able to study under the guidance of qualified instructors.

## **6.10 Cafeteria facilities**

### **Canteens in the Faculty and professorial unit**

The canteen in the faculty provides breakfast, lunch and dinner at concessionary rates in addition to snacks and beverages.

### **Milk bar**

The milk bar in the faculty premises is kept open on weekdays and provides snacks and beverages at a reasonable price.

## 6.11 Drinking water facilities

There is water purified by reverse osmosis (RO) technique available at all the canteens and student hostels.

## 6.12 Sports facilities

Sports facilities for badminton, netball, volleyball and cricket etc. are provided under the guidance of the Director of Physical Education. Students can engage in outdoor sports in the sports ground located within the faculty premises.

## 6.13 Cultural activities

An active cultural center operates in the main campus Mihintale, and the students are encouraged to make maximum use of this facility.

## 6.14 Banking facilities

Financial transaction facilities can be obtained via a Bank of Ceylon (BOC) ATM outlet located just outside the faculty premises.

## 6.15 Postal services

Postal services can be obtained via the sub post office located in the faculty premises.

## 6.16 Other facilities

Photocopy and printing facilities at a low cost are available in the photocopy center in canteen area of the faculty. The Professorial unit comprises facilities such as an air-conditioned auditorium, seminar halls and laboratories.

## 6.17 Students' union

Medical Faculty Students' Union is the main student body.

<b>President</b>	Mr. Chethiya Ushan Rathnayake
<b>Secretary</b>	Mr. PHMG Bandara Herath
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Mr. PK Lakshitha Dharmrathne

Mr. MN Muhammed Nazmil

Mr. Yasiru Eshan Weeramanthri

Mr. JLP Ashan Randika

Ms. Lakhini Dilrangi Gunawardana

## 6.18 Faculty academic mentoring program

There will be continuous mentoring program and special mentoring programme for all the undergraduate students and all the members of the academic staff will be appointed as the mentors for the above-mentioned program.

### Goals of the programme

1. Promote students' self-confidence and development of critical thinking / decision making skills.
2. Personalize and humanize the university experience, especially providing support at the stressful time of transition from school life.
3. Identify each student's learning style, helping them meet the intellectual challenges of the university and take advantage of its resources.
4. Foster maximum academic, personal, and professional growth.

## 6.19 Facilities for differently-abled students

Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka is committed to ensure opportunity and environment that enables and enhances the educational experience of differently-abled students on the same basis as other members of the University community, in an environment that values diversity, is free from harassment, unlawful discrimination and promotes justice, equality of opportunity.

FMAS is committed to creating an inclusive, safe and supportive environment for all students and staff regardless of disability (or other protected characteristic) to support a positive experience for all members of the faculty. FMAS encourages a climate of openness and positive disclosure for students and staff with disabilities, including mental health difficulties; nevertheless, it is acknowledged that students and staff may find it difficult to disclose disabilities including mental health difficulties. All disclosed disability information is kept confidentially and sensitive personal data is only shared with the person's consent (unless it is deemed that they or others are at risk of harm) with university services, such as student counselling, health-care team, security and administrative officers, who may be responsible for supporting that individual.

Please contact any academic staff member, student counselors, your mentor or Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara, Head/Senior Lecturer in Family Medicine (+94 773 565 144) for further assistance.

## 7. UNIVERSITY LIFE



**“University life is about far more than just getting a degree; it is about meeting and working with people, having fun and most of all, growing up to be a responsible citizen.”**

The academic programme for the undergraduates of FMAS take place within the faculty premises as well as the THA and field practice areas. In addition to timetabled teaching/learning activities, students are encouraged to pursue their interests in research, sports, religious activities and the performing arts.



## 8. AFFILIATED HOSPITALS AND FIELD PRACTICE AREAS



### 8.1 Teaching Hospital –Anuradhapura (THA)

THA is the third largest hospital in Sri Lanka and is situated in Anuradhapura city, 7 km away from the faculty. It serves as the main referral center in the North Central Province. THA has capacity of nearly 3000 beds. In 2016, it served more than 260,000 and 140,000 individuals as out-patient and in-patient basis respectively. It played a major role in functioning as a trauma management hospital caring for war casualties in the last stage of the humanitarian war in Sri Lanka. THA is the principal clinical teaching facility of the faculty.

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Dr. KMM Kulasekara	Consultant General Surgeon
Dr. MSE Karunadasa	Consultant General Surgeon
Dr. SMP Manjula	Consultant General Surgeon
Dr. DSH Jayasingha	Consultant General Surgeon
Dr. US Madagodahetti	Consultant General Surgeon
Dr. RMSK Rathnayaka	Consultant Physician
Dr. MMNN Senevirathna	Consultant Physician
Dr. KASD Kulathunga	Consultant Physician
Dr. KPG Dissanayake	Consultant Physician
Dr. WMRL Welagedara	Consultant Physician
Dr. AK Bandaranayaka	Consultant Physician (OPD)
Dr. MM Senanayake	Consultant Physician (Acting)
Dr. WGSG Karunarathna	Consultant Physician (Acting)
Dr. MIM Rifath	Consultant Physician (Acting)
Dr. YN Harischandra	Consultant Respiratory Physician
Dr. KKMD Chandradasa	Consultant Paediatrician



Dr. TUN De Silva	Consultant Paediatrician
Dr. KMMS Rathnasiri	Consultant Paediatrician
Dr. SN Dayarathna	Consultant Paediatrician (OPD)
Dr. NWAJK Premadasa	Consultant Obstetrician & Gynecologist
Dr. KBK Jayasiri	Consultant Obstetrician & Gynecologist
Dr. CT Weeraratna	Consultant Paediatric Neurologist (Acting)
Dr. MHTLN Mahanama	Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist
Dr. ND Weerathunga Aarachchige	Consultant Paediatric Surgeon
Dr. JR Fonseka	Consultant Neonatologist (Acting)
Dr. SAC Iroshini	Consultant Neonatologist (Acting)
Dr. AN Rathnayake	Consultant Paediatric Nephrologist (Acting)
Dr. KMS Kosgoda	Consultant OMF Surgeon
Dr. SS Siriwaradana	Consultant Restorative Dentistry
Dr. JM Subasinghe	Consultant Orthodontist
Dr. KMBM Weerasingha	Consultant Ophthalmologist (Acting)
Dr. HMSAB Hangilipola	Consultant Ophthalmologist
Dr. MNK Athapaththu	Consultant Vitreoretinal Surgeon (Acting)
Dr. DADG Daminda	Consultant ENT Surgeon
Dr. MB Perera	Consultant ENT Surgeon
Dr. RT Rupasinghe	Consultant ENT Surgeon
Dr. K Sairam	Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr. DKSJ Chandrarathna	Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr. WYM Abeseksra	Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr. Rasika Dissanayake	Consultant Dermatologist
Dr. JAMB Sumanasena	Consultant Dermatologist
Dr. KTIA Dougles	Consultant Radiologist
Dr. KG Dayarathna	Consultant Radiologist
Dr. MT Muthunayaka	Consultant Radiologist
Dr. KGMBG Gurunayake	Consultant Radiologist (Acting)
Dr. LPC Arunashantha	Consultant Anaesthetist
Dr. JMPPB Jayathilaka	Consultant Anaesthetist
Dr. IAAC Perera	Consultant Anaesthetist
Dr. HPMC Kaldera	Consultant Neurologist
Dr. SC Weerasinghe	Consultant Neurologist
Dr. ADM Gomas	Consultant Neuro Surgeon
Dr. MMRS Paris	Consultant Neuro Surgeon
Dr. DL Waidyaratna	Consultant Judicial Medical Officer
Dr. SMHMK Senanayaka	Consultant Judicial Medical Officer
Dr. SH Athukorala	Consultant Rheumatologist
Dr. WAA Prasanna	Consultant Cardiologist
Dr. DAS Karunarathna	Consultant Cardiologist
Dr. KADS Jayarathna	Consultant Hematologist
Dr. WHE Alwis	Consultant Hematologist
Dr. MAE Amarasena	Consultant Hematologist (Acting)
Dr. NAKM Nettikumara	Consultant Oncologist

Dr. HTS Sripali	Consultant Oncologist
Dr. MM Bandusena	Consultant Surgical Oncologist
Dr. BMVC Bandaranayaka	Consultant Surgical Oncologist
Dr. HTN Hewageegana	Consultant Chemical Pathologist
Dr. JD Arudchelwam	Consultant Vascular & Transplant Surgeon
Dr. MMNA Marasinghe	Consultant Vascular & Transplant Surgeon
Dr. BA Sadath	Consultant Nephrologist
Dr. PN Rajakrishna	Consultant Nephrologist
Dr. A Ellepola	Consultant Psychiatrist
Dr. RPSS Rajapaksha	Consultant Psychiatrist
Dr. GU Rambukwella	Consultant Psychiatrist (Acting)
Dr. D Rupasingha	Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist (Acting)
Dr. MWS Niranjala	Consultant Endocrinologist
Dr. KU Senevirathna	Consultant Emergency Care Physician (Acting)
Dr. AGDTLG Yapa	Consultant Clinical Microbiologist
Dr. TKGS Sumathipala	Consultant Medical Virologist
Dr. SPAD Rajapaksha	Consultant Histopathologist (Acting)
Dr. DS Udugampola	Consultant Histopathologist (Acting)
Dr. MMWR Manchanayaka	Consultant Histopathologist (Acting)
Dr. TACL Piyarathna	Consultant Gastroenterologist
Dr. RT Gamage	Consultant Gastroenterologist (Acting)
Dr. KCD Senevirathna	Consultant Transfusion Physician
Dr. HBNN Bandara	Consultant Transfusion Physician (Acting)
Dr. TGNP Wimalasiri	Consultant Critical Care Physician (Acting)
Dr. PMJ Pathiraja	Consultant Cardiac Electro Physiologist
Dr. AAPA Wijayagunawardhana	Consultant Cardiac Electro Physiologist (Acting)
Dr. MGSR Kumara	Consultant Genitourinary Surgeon (Acting)
Dr. N Liyanapathirana	Consultant Genitourinary Surgeon
Dr. Ajith Karawita	Consultant Venereologist

### Professorial Unit Consultants:

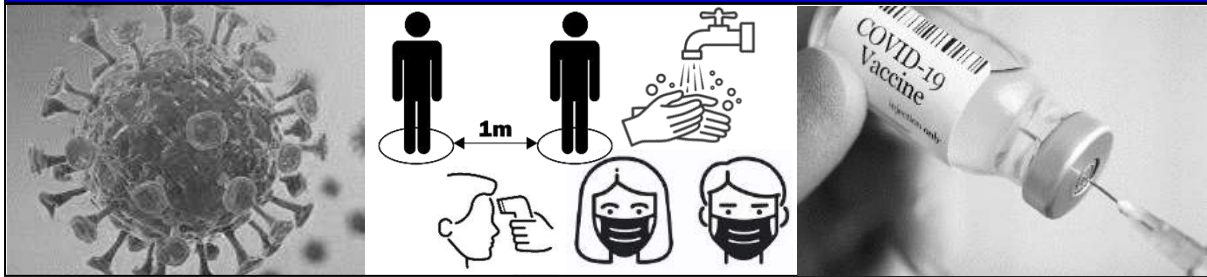
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4. Dr. Niroshan Lokunarangoda	Consultant Cardiologist
5. Dr. Chamara Sarathchandra	Consultant Physician
6. Dr. Hemal Senanayaka	Consultant Physician
7. Dr. Sujeewa Thalagaspitiya	Consultant General Surgeon
8. Dr. S Srishankar	Consultant General Surgeon
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10. Dr. Anuradha Jayathilake	Consultant General Surgeon (Acting)
11. Dr. MSE Karunadasa	Consultant General Surgeon
12. Dr. DSH Jayasingha	Consultant General Surgeon

13. Dr. Dishan Karunaratna	Consultant General Surgeon
14. Dr. Nanadana Hettigama	Consultant Obstetrician and Gynecologist
15. Dr. DM Ajith Kumara	Consultant Obstetrician and Gynecologist
16. Dr. WAJC Chandrakumara	Consultant Paediatrician
17. Dr. Givani Amarakoon	Consultant Paediatrician (Acting)
18. Dr. Ishani Dharshika	Consultant Paediatrician (Acting)
19. Dr. Shammi Rathnasiri	Consultant Paediatrician
20. Dr. Anuprabha Wickramasinghe	Consultant Psychiatrist
21. Dr. SMBH Abeyratne	Consultant Psychiatrist (Acting)
22. Dr. Amila Isuru	Consultant Psychiatrist
23. Dr. GU Rambukwella	Consultant Psychiatrist
24. Dr. LADRLP Kariyawasam	Consultant Anesthetist

## 8.2 Field practice areas, hospitals and centers

- MOH Nuwaragampalatha East
- MOH Nuwaragampalatha Central
- MOH Rajanganaya
- MOH Thirappane
- MOH Mihintale
- MOH Nochchiyagama
- Base Hospital Thambuththegama
- District Hospital Rambewa
- District General Hospital Kilinochchi
- Divisional Hospital Rajanganaya Yaya 5
- Divisional Hospital Thammannawa
- Water treatment plant, Thuruvila
- Medical Registrar Office, Anuradhapura
- Regional Director of Health Office, Anuradhapura

## 9. PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FOR COVID-19 OUTBREAK



**We are committed to supporting our students, staff and community members through this difficult time. We will continue to update you as we adapt to life and study during the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**To minimize the possible risk of spreading the coronavirus, students are advised to adhere to good health practices**

- Frequently clean hands by using soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub.
- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with tissue or handkerchief or with the flexed elbow. Used facial tissues to be discarded properly.
- Avoid frequent touching of face, nose, eyes and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has fever and cough.
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty in breathing seek medical care at earliest.

Students are strongly advised to follow the safety precautions (including wearing face mask, hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette and maintain physical distancing) at all times irrespective of vaccination status. Moreover, students are strongly advised adhere to the health guidelines issued by Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka, UGC, Sri Lanka, and Faculty of Medicine & Allied Sciences, RUSL.

Faculty of Medicine & Allied Sciences has developed operational guidelines on preparedness and response for COVID-19 outbreak to ensure the safety of students and staff. These guidelines were prepared considering both the convenience and safety of students based on the available facilities and feasibilities to achieve national and international health standards. We, as a faculty, expect highly responsible behaviour from our students as budding doctors and responsible citizens of the country during this global tragedy.

**Please contact any academic staff member, student counselors, your mentor or Dr. PHG Janaka Pushpakumara, Head/Senior Lecturer in Family Medicine (+94 773 565 144) for further assistance or clarification.**

# ANNEXURE 1

## APPLICATION FORM FOR SPECIAL LEAVE

(For **all students** registered in the Faculty of Medicine and Allied Sciences, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka)

\*\* Includes: Leave for overseas travel

Any other leave of absence from academic activities for more than one week

1. Full name of applicant: .....
2. Registration No.: .....
3. National Identity Card No.: .....
4. Purpose for which the leave is applied for .....
- .....
- .....
- .....
5. Duration of leave requested: From ..... To .....
6. Are there academic activities scheduled for your batch, during the applied for period of leave:  
Yes/No
7. If Yes, give details of arrangements to cover academic activities (attach relevant letters).....
8. If No, provide proof by attaching a copy of the time table/academic schedule relevant to you for the specified period, certified by the Registrar.
9. I hereby declare that the information I have supplied in this form is correct.

Signature of the applicant: .....

Date: .....

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Application accepted on: .....

Faculty Board Approval: Recommended/Not recommended

Date: .....

Signature of Dean: .....

Date:.....

Reference number:.....

Date stamp:

## ANNEXURE 2

### PROHIBITION OF RAGGING AND OTHER FORMS OF VIOLENCE IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

An act to eliminate ragging and other forms of violence, and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment, from educational institutions

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic, Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:

29<sup>th</sup> April, 1998

- Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Prohibition of Ragging and Other Forms of Violence in Educational Institutions Act, No. 20 of 1998.
- Ragging. 2.
- (1) Any person who commits, or participates in; ragging, within or outside an educational institution, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable, to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years and may also be ordered to pay compensation of an amount determined by court, to the person in respect of whom the offence was committed for the injuries caused to such person.
- (2) A person who, whilst committing ragging causes sexual harassment or grievous hurt to any student or a member of the staff, of an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years and may -also be ordered to pay compensation of an amount determined by court, to the person in respect of whom the offence was committed for the injuries caused to such person.
- Criminal intimidation, 3. Any person who, within or outside an educational institution, threatens, verbally or in writing, to cause injury to the person, reputation or property of any student or a member of the staff, of all educational institution (in this section referred to as "the victim") or to the person, reputation or property of some other person in whom the victim is interested, with the intention of causing fear in the victim or of compelling the victim to do any act which the victim is not legally required to do, or to omit to do any act which the victim is entitled to do, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.
- Hostage taking. 4. Any person who does any act by which the personal liberty and the freedom of movement of any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution or other person within such educational institution or any premises under the management and control of such educational institution, is restrained without lawful justification and for the purpose of forcing such student, member of the staff

or person to take a particular course of action, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate, be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Wrongful restraint. 5. Any person who unlawfully obstructs any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution, in such a manner as to prevent such student or member of the staff from proceeding in any direction in which such student or member of the staff, has a right to proceed, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Unlawful confinement. 6. Any person who unlawfully restrains any student or a member of the staff of an educational institution in such a manner as to prevent such student or member of the staff from proceeding beyond certain circumscribing limits, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.

Forcible occupation and damage to property of an educational institution. 7.  
(1) Any person who, without lawful excuse, occupies, by force, any premises of, or under the management or control of, an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act, and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or to a fine not exceeding ten thousand rupees or to both such imprisonment and fine.  
(2) Any person who causes mischief in respect of any property of, or under the management or control of, an educational institution shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty years and a fine of five thousand rupees or three times the amount of the loss or damage caused to such property, whichever amount is higher.

Orders of expulsion or dismissal. 8. Where a person is convicted of an offence under this Act, the court may, having regard to the gravity of the offence"  
(a) in any case where the person convicted is a student of an educational institution, order that such person be expelled from such institution ;  
(b) in any case where the person convicted is a member of the staff of an educational institution, order that such person be dismissed from such educational institution.

Bail. 9.  
(1) A person suspected or accused of committing an offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act shall not be released on bail except by the judge of a High Court established by Article 154P of the Constitution. In

exercising his discretion to grant bail such Judge shall have regard to the provisions of section 14 of the Bail Act, No. 30 of 1997.

(2) Where a person is convicted of an offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act, and an appeal is preferred against such conviction, the Court convicting such person may, taking into consideration the gravity of the offence and the antecedents of the person convicted, either release or refuse to release, such person on bail.

Certain Provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure Act not to apply to persons convicted or found guilty of an offence under this Act.	<p>10. Notwithstanding anything in the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, No, 15 of 1979”</p> <p>(a) the provisions of section 303 of that Act shall not apply in the case of any person who is convicted,</p> <p>(b) the provisions of section 306 of that Act shall not apply in the case of any person who pleads or is found guilty,</p> <p>by or before any court of any offence under subsection (2) of section 2 or section 4 of this Act.</p>
Offences under this Act deemed to be cognizable offences.	<p>11. All offences under this Act shall be deemed to be cognizable Offences for the purposes of the application of the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, No. 15 of 1979, notwithstanding anything contained in the First Schedule to that Act.</p>
Certificate.	<p>12. Where in any prosecution for an offence under this Act, a question arises whether any person is a student or a member of the staff of an educational institution or whether any premises or property is the property of, or is under the management and control of, an educational institution a certificate purporting to be under the hand of the head or other officer of such educational institution to the effect that the person named therein is a student or a member of the staff of such educational institution, or that the premises or property specified therein is the property of, or is under the management and control of, such educational institution, shall be admissible in evidence without proof of signature and shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein.</p>
Admissibility of statement in evidence.	<p>13.</p> <p>(1) If in the course, of a trial for an offence under this Act, any witness shall on any material point contradict either expressly or by necessary implication a statement previously given by him in the course of any investigation into such offence, it shall be lawful for the Magistrate if, after due inquiry into the circumstances in which the statement was made, he considers it safe and just ”</p>



(a) to act upon the statement given by the witness in the course of the investigation, if such statement is corroborated in material particulars by evidence from an independent source; and

(b) to have such witness at the conclusion of such trial, tried before such court upon a charge for intentionally giving false evidence in a stage of a judicial proceeding,

(2) At any trial under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) it shall be sufficient to prove that the accused made the contradictory statements alleged in the charge and it shall not be necessary to prove which of such statements is false.

Provisions of this Act to be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of the Penal Code & c. 14. The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to and not in derogation of, the provisions of the Penal Code, the Convention Against Torture and Oilier Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment Act, No. 22 of 1994 or any other law.

Priority for trials and appeals under this Act. 15. Every Court shall give priority to the trial of any person charged with any offence under this Act and to the bearing of any appeal from the conviction of any person for appeals under any such offence and any sentence imposed on such conviction.

Sinhala text to Prevail in case of inconsistency 17. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires " "criminal force", "fear", "force", "grievous hurt", "hurt" and "mischief shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Penal Code;

"educational institution" means –

(a) a Higher Educational Institution;

(b) any other Institution recognized under Chapter IV of the Universities Act, No, 16 of 1978;

(c) the Buddhist and Pali University established by the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka Act, No. 74 of 1981;

(d) the Buddha SravakaBhikku University, established by the Buddha SravakaBhikku University Act, No. 26 of 1996;

(e) any Institute registered under section 14 of the Tertiary and Vocational Education Act, No. 20 of 1990;

(f) any Advanced Technical Institute established under the Sri Lanka Institute- of Technical Education Act, No. 29 of 1995;

(g) a Pirivena registered under the Pirivena Education Act, No. 64 of 1979 and receiving grants from State funds and includes a Pirivena Training Institute established under that Act;

(h) the Sri Lanka Law College;

(i) the National Institute of Education established; by the National Institute of Education Act, No.

(j) the College of Education established by the: Colleges of Education Act, No. 30 of 1986, or a Training College;

(k) a Government school or an assisted school or an unaided school, within the meaning of the Education Ordinance (Chapter 185);

and includes any other institution established for the purpose of providing education, instruction or training;

“head of an educational institution” means the Vice- Cancellor, Mahopadyaya, Director, President, Principal or any other person howsoever designated charged with the administration and management of the affairs of such educational institution;

“Higher Educational institution” has the meaning assigned to it in the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978;

“ragging” means any act which causes or is likely to cause physical or psychological injury or mental pain or : fear to a student or a member of the staff of an educational institution;

“student” means a student of an educational institution;

“sexual harassment” means the use of criminal force, words or actions to cause sexual annoyance or harassment to a student or a member of the staff, of an educational institution;



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