

Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology (PGIAR) University of Kelaniya

1. Name of the course:

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MUSEOLOGY

1.1. Course code: **PDMU**

2. Admission criteria:

2.1. Bachelor's degree awarded by a recognized university, or

2.2. Professional or any other such qualification recognized by the Board of Management of PGIAR, and approved by the Senate of the University of Kelaniya. Following qualifications can be considered under this provision for admission to Postgraduate Diploma Programs of PGIAR: 1) Four year Higher National Diploma (HND) offered by the Ministry of Education; 2) Praacheena Panditha Avasana and 3) Attorney at Law qualification from the Law College of Sri Lanka, or a postgraduate diploma in any discipline from a recognized institution.

or

2.3. Minimum of 10 years sustained practice-based experience with notable achievements relevant to the subject matter of the diploma at executive/ managerial level in recognized institutions or workplace or at public level. Strong written recommendations on the capacity of the candidate to undertake the program of study from specialists in the field will also be considered. See note below for the definition of notable achievements.

Note: Attributes of notable achievements for postgraduate diplomas.

Candidates are required to demonstrate their professional track record for over 10 years after age 20. Supporting materials in the form of books, published articles, news paper write-ups, catalogues, posters, portfolios, video films, music scores, project proposals written by the candidate; social activity records of the candidate and three recommendation letters from specialists in the field are required. Two of the recommendations should come from specialists who are not academic staff members of any Sri Lankan university. Recommendations *cannot come from either* the faculty of PGIAR, *or* any faculty member whose university is represented in the Board of Study or Board of Management of the PGIAR

3. Duration: One year

4. Medium: English

5. Number of credits: 30

6. Course structure:

Semester 1

PDMU 51013 History of collecting and presenting art and artifacts/compulsory/3 credits

PDMU 51023 Exhibition planning and design/ compulsory/3 credits

PDMU 51033 Care, security and safety of museum collections/ compulsory/3 credits

Number of credits earned in Semester 1 is 9.

Semester 2

PDMU 52043 Museum management and administration/compulsory/3 credits

PDMU 52053 Collections and information management/compulsory/3 credits

PDMU 5206F Research colloquium: PG Diploma Research Assignment: Conception, and production planning of a temporary museum exhibition: Exhibition Proposal Document: EPD / compulsory / 15 credits

Number of credits earned in Semester 2 is 21.

Total number of credits earned for the fulfillment of requirements for the award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Museology: 30 (9+21)

7. Award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Museology

7.1 Pass

A candidate is eligible for the Postgraduate Diploma in Museology if he/she obtains,

- I. Grades of B- or better in each of the course units offered and satisfactorily completes the mandatory field experience period, and
- II. Completes the relevant requirements within a period of two academic years.

7.2 Merit Pass

A candidate shall be awarded a Merit Pass provided he/she

- I. Obtains grades of 'A-' or better in each of the course units offered and achieves a minimum GPA of 3.70, and
- II. Completes the relevant requirements in the first attempt

7.3 Distinction Pass

A candidate shall be awarded a Distinction Pass provided he/she

- I. Obtains grades of 'A' or better in each of the course units offered and achieves a minimum GPA of 4.0, and
- II. Completes the relevant requirements in the first attempt.

8. Payments

Application fee Rs. 1000, International Candidate USD 20

Registration fee Rs. 1500, International Candidate USD 25

Total Course Fee Rs. 100,000, International Candidate USD 750(USD 500+USD 250)

The course fee can be paid in three installments. The first installment of Rs. 40,000 should be paid with the registration. The remaining amounts Rs. 30,000 & Rs.30, 000 must be paid before examination of Duruthu and vesak semester.

*For the candidates who are currently working at permanent positions at Central Cultural Fund, Department of Archaeology and Department of National Museum are applicable to follow up below payment structure.
Museology **Rs. 75000.00 [25000+25000+25000]**

***Note: If the respective Institute pays on behalf of the student they are obliged to pay the full course fee of Rs. 100,000/=.**

9. Application procedure

The applications can be download by the web or can be obtained from the Assistant Registrar/Academic's office of the PGIAR

Duly completed applications should be sent before **15.11.2025** to:

The Assistant Registrar/Academic,
Post Graduate Institute of Archaeology
University of Kelaniya
407, Bauddhaloka Mawatha,
Colombo 07.

Please indicate "POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MUSEOLOGY" ON the top left hand corner of the envelope.

Please forward the following along with your application;

- Certified copy of Birth certificate
- Certified copy of transcript of the degree
- Passport size (3.5cm × 4.5 cm) two (colour) photographs

Tel: 0112667885/ 0112694151

Web: www.pgiar.kln.ac.lk

Email: arpgiar@kln.ac.lk