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FACULTY EVENTS

Welcome Ceremony of the 4th Intake of Postgraduate Students

Postgraduate Unit

The Welcome Ceremony for the new entrants to the Postgraduate Programmes 2022-2023 Academic Year, Postgraduate Unit, Faculty of Management, University of Peradeniya was successfully conducted on the 08th of January 2023 at the Auditorium of the Faculty of Management with the participation of new students together with the teaching panel of the Postgraduate Unit.



Professor M.D. Lamawansa, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya, was the Chief Guest, and the event was graced by Professor W.M.T. Madhujith, Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya, Professor E.M.A.S.B. Ekanayake, Dean of the Faculty of Management, Heads of the Academic Departments and Units of the Faculty of Management and the academic and non-academic staff members of the Faculty of Management.

In the given speeches, Professor M.D. Lamawansa, Professor W.M.T. Madhujith and Professor E.M.A.S.B. Ekanayake emphasized the importance of persistence and determination in the face of obstacles and setbacks, and the students were encouraged to remind themselves of their purpose and the passion that led them to pursue their postgraduate studies in the first place. They encouraged the students to learn from their mistakes and use those as opportunities to grow and improve.



Furthermore, Professor Dileep De Silva, Director, Career Guidance Unit of the University of Peradeniya, delivered an inspirational speech on “Balancing academic, professional and personal life”. He contended valuable insights for the benefit of prospective postgraduates to develop them as responsible citizens in the future.



To familiarize postgraduates with the university system and procedures, several informative sessions were conducted in the afternoon session on the same day. An awareness-raising session was conducted on the “Introduction of Programme Regulations and Awareness on Course Delivery” by Prof. R.H. Kuruppuge. Further, a session on “Introduction to Learning Management System” was conducted by Mr. A.M.A.S.M. Bandara, Chairman of the Management Education Resource Centre. Finally, the “Introduction of academic, administrative, and non-academic staff to the students and a Questions and Answer Session” was coordinated by Mr. T.S.S. Fernando.



Furthermore, senior students of the postgraduate unit organized management games for building a sense of teamwork and collaboration among the newcomers, who came from diverse backgrounds and experiences. These management games helped to facilitate communication and cooperation and build trust among the new students, which set a positive tone for commencing the academic programs from the 14th of January 2023 onwards.





MOMENTS TO REMEMBER





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Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Peradeniya and Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE)

Department of Business Finance

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the University of Peradeniya and Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) Sri Lanka was signed on the 06th of February 2023, at the Senate Room of the University of Peradeniya.

Professor M.D. Lamawansa, Vice Chancellor, University of Peradeniya and Ms. M.G.J. Dharmasiri, Acting Registrar, University of Peradeniya representing the University of Peradeniya and Mr. Rajeewa Bandaranayake, the Chief Executive Officer of CSE and Mr. Niroshan Wijesundere, the Senior Vice President, Marketing of CSE representing Colombo Stock Exchange Sri Lanka signed the MoU.



Through this MoU, the CSE makes arrangements to provide internship opportunities to students who are specialized in Accounting & Finance and sponsor an annual budget of up to Rs. 200,000 for capital market-related events, which the University of Peradeniya organizes in collaboration with the CSE. Moreover, the CSE will grant an award annually to the student who obtained the highest-Grade Point Average (GPA) in the Accounting & Finance Specialization area of the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Honours Degree Programme.



Mr. Nishantha Batagalle, Manager, Branch Network, Mr. Tharaka Amarasena, Manager, Anuradhapura & Investor Education, Mr. Dhananjaya Abeysiriwardhana, Manager, Kandy branch and Mr. Madhawa Aramandeniya, Executive, Kandy branch also participate at the event representing the Colombo Stock Exchange, Sri Lanka.



Prof. E.M.A.S.B. Ekanayake, Dean, Faculty of Management, Dr. Sujeewa Kodithuwakku, Head, Department of Business Finance, Mr. Uwin Ariyaratna, Coordinator - Industry Links of the Department of Business Finance, and academic staff members of the Department of Business Finance of the Faculty of Management also graced the event.



WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS



Department Seminar- January 2023

Department of Operations Management

The 25th Department Seminar of the Department of Operations Management is scheduled to be held on the 10th of January 2023 (Tuesday) from 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Faculty Boardroom. Those who interested are invited to attend this Seminar.



Department of Operations Management
Faculty of Management
University of Peradeniya

Department Seminar - January 2023

Influence of Sustainable Supply Chain Initiatives

Towards the Environmental Performance:

Empirical Evidence from Manufacturing

Sector in Sri Lanka

Presenter:

Mr. P. H. Abeyesundera

Department of Operations Management

Faculty of Management

 **YouTube**
LIVE



Date :
10th January 2023



Time :
10.00 A.M.



Venue :
Faculty Boardroom

Seminar for Students of Athugalpura Prince College, Kurunegala

Management Education Unit

A seminar was organized by the Management Education Unit of the Faculty of Management, University of Peradeniya, for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) students of Athugalpura Prince College, Kurunegala, on the 13th of January 2023 at the Faculty Auditorium.



The aim of the seminar was to provide awareness regarding the Advanced Level Commerce stream to the students by emphasizing the career opportunities in the Commerce stream. Ms Tharuka Kuruppu, Lecturer attached to the Department of Management Studies, conducted the session and emphasized the importance of the field of commerce in today's world of work. Prof. Athula Ekanayake, Dean, Faculty Management also addressed the gathering providing useful insights.



Department Seminar - January 2023

Department of Operations Management

The 25th Department Seminar of the Department of Operations Management, Faculty of Management, University of Peradeniya was held on the 10th of January 2023 from 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Faculty Boardroom. The presentation was made by Mr. P. H. Abeysundera on the titled 'Influence of Sustainable Supply Chain Initiatives towards the Environmental Performance: Empirical Evidence from Manufacturing Sector in Sri Lanka'. The academic staff members of the Faculty of Management participated in this event.



FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

The Faculty of Management is the ninth Faculty at the University of Peradeniya, established in 2015. Even though the Faculty of Management at the University of Peradeniya is only seven years old, the University of Peradeniya is the pioneer in Management higher education in the country as it has been offering a Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) Degree Programme since 1962. At present, the Faculty of Management offers a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Honours Degree Programme under five areas of specialization related to five Departments and caters to about 175 university entrants who sat their G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination in the Commerce stream each year. In addition, it also offers two inter-faculty degree programmes, namely, B. Com. and B.Sc. in Computation and Management, in collaboration with the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science, respectively.. Apart from the internal degree programmes, the Faculty offers a BBA External Degree Programme online and a Diploma in Management and Development programme through

the Centre for Distance & Continuing Education (CDCE) of the University of Peradeniya. Furthermore, the Faculty of Management Within seven years of its existence, the Faculty has achieved the highest grade (Grade 'A') offered by the Quality Assurance Council of the University Grants Commission (UGC) for its BBA Degree Programme. Recently, the Faculty has also won the AHEAD grants worth of Rs. 120 million through which a building and a computer lab were constructed, and furniture, equipment, and learning materials were purchased to promote outcome-based education and learner-centered teaching.

As part of the strategic plan, the Faculty of Management intends to expand its portfolio in line with the development taking place in the industry by introducing new degree programmes at undergraduate as well as postgraduate levels. For this purpose, the Faculty plans to train the staff and develop its physical infrastructure to provide students with adequate knowledge and facilities to transform them into high-quality graduates.

