

The objective of the Course is to provide an opportunity to study human rights to those whose activities will have a positive impact on the promotion and protection of Rights or those who wish to pursue a career in the promotion and protection of Rights. The course is primarily for those who have not had an opportunity of obtaining a structured understanding of human rights issues.

Fee Structure of EDHR

Application Fee	Rs 500/-
Course Fee	Rs. 75,000/-

Applications can be downloaded from
cshr.cmb.ac.lk

Duly Completed Applications along with relevant copies of certificates and documents should be submitted by registered post to,

The Director,
Centre for the Study of Human Rights,
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Centre for the Study of Human Rights

Centre for the Study of Human Rights (CSHR), was established in 1991 in response to extensive human rights violations in Sri Lanka at the time period. It was set up as a non-profit organisation within the Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, with the objective of making the public aware of their rights and remedies for the violation of rights. CSHR has been a pioneer of human rights education for 30 years with its mandate of Human Rights Education, Research and Capacity Building.

The CSHR continues to believe in the primary goal of Human Rights Education as a vital component in building a Human Rights culture throughout society; where the principles of peace, respect for diversity, and economic and social justice are maintained. This goal is pursued through the content and methods employed in the educational programmes of the CSHR. CSHR offers Advanced training programmes, Certificate Courses, Diploma programmes Higher Diploma, Postgraduate programme and Masters under CSHR Education Programmes.

The CSHR's goal is to create a nation with a rights consciousness in which the dignity and rights of all people are respected.



**Upholding 30 Years of Excellence in Human
Rights Education & Research
Centre for the Study of Human Rights
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Sri Lanka**

**Diploma in Human Rights
(Online Mode)**

**SLQF level : 03
Credit value : 30**

One Year Programme

Diploma in Human Rights (DHR)

Human rights has evolved into a distinct academic discipline with theoretical and practical importance, drawing inspiration from several fields of study such as philosophy, law, public administration, law enforcement, national security, public policy formulation and implementation etc. Learning human rights also has become important for those involved in careers in law, public administration, the military, development work and members of civil society.

The course is intended to give the participants an introduction to both international human rights norms and standards and domestic implementation of human rights and fundamental rights standards. The diploma can also serve as a stepping stone for further studies in Human Rights, including post-graduate studies courses provided by the University of Colombo.

Medium of Instruction: English

Target Group:

- The target audience for the *Diploma in Human Rights* consists of Armed Forces, State actors, Members of the Civil Society, students and members of the public; and is not restricted to any particular group of persons.
- School leavers who have not had the opportunity to enter into the conventional or open universities will be encouraged to apply. This programme will give them an opportunity to gain a university Diploma and will provide them the opportunity to continue their education while working.

Admission Requirements

a) General Certificate of Education (Advanced level) or an equivalent qualification,

or

b) A foundation course equivalent to SLQF level 2;

or

c) Completion of NVQF level 4 or accredited work experience in a related field or accredited prior learning followed by a corresponding Programme of minimum 30 credits as determined by the academic authorities of University of Colombo.

And

d) a Credit Pass for English at the G.C.E. (O/ L) or equivalent English Language competency and satisfactory performance at the selection interview.

Course Structure and Contents

This course is designed based on the credit value system of Sri Lanka Qualification Framework Level 3 (SLQF 3).

Assessment will consist of Continuous Assessment submitted online and a year-end examination. Each module will consist of one assignment and an online activity.

Course Contents:

The core units of the course will consist of the following:

- i. Introduction to Human Rights
- ii. Human Rights Protecting Mechanisms
- iii. Human Rights and Society
- iv. Group Rights
- v. Human Rights in times of Armed Conflicts
- vi. Contemporary Developments in Human Rights
- vii. Challenges to Human Rights

Academic Resource Pool

The resource pool comprises of lecturers from the Faculty of Law and academics and practitioners who are experts in the fields of human rights.

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