



Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka
Faculty of Graduate Studies and Centre for External Examinations Registration for
Postgraduate Degree Studies
Academic Year 2025

❖ Master of Philosophy Degree Course (M.Phil.) (02 years) (SLQF 11)

Subject Stream	:	Buddhist Philosophy/Buddhist Culture/Buddhist Civilization/Buddhist Studies/Sinhala/Pali/Sanskrit/ Archaeology/Religious Studies and Comparative Philosophy/ English
Medium of Study	:	Sinhala/English
Course Fee	:	Local Students - Rs. 100,000/- Foreign Students - US\$ 1305

Eligibility requirements:

- Should have obtained a Bachelor of Arts (Special) degree with a First Class or Second Class Upper Division relevant to the above stream of subjects from a university/ a recognized institute by the UGC.
Or
- Should have obtained one year M.A. degree relevant to the above stream of subjects from a university/ a recognized institute by the UGC.
Or
- A candidate who has obtained a Bachelor of Arts (Special) degree with a First Class or Second Class Upper Division or one year M.A. degree or in any other discipline with a post graduate diploma relevant to the above subject stream can be registered for Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.)
Or
- Any other qualification considered equivalent to the above which is accepted by the senate of the university.

Duration of Research

The duration of Research is 02 years from the date of registration.

Extension of Registration

- Registration will be extended for a maximum period of 03 years. Extension will not be provided under any circumstances after the lapse of five (05) years from the date of registration.
- If a Candidate is unable to complete the Research within the specified period, the period can be extended as per the recommendation of the Instructor. (The maximum period of extension is 03 years.)
- Candidate's request should be made by the Instructor. The extension is valid only once a year. Therefore, this request should be made three months before the end of each registration year.

Size of the Research Dissertation

A Research Dissertation with words not less than 60,000 should be submitted. The Research dissertation should assist in the broadening of the contemporary knowledge on the relevant subject field and should be of novelty.

❖ Doctor of Philosophy Degree Course (Ph.D.) (03 years) (SLQF 12)

Subject Stream	:	Buddhist Philosophy/Buddhist Culture/Buddhist Civilization/Buddhist Studies/Sinhala/Pali/Sanskrit/ Archaeology/Religious Studies and Comparative Philosophy/ English
Medium of Study	:	Sinhala/English
Course Fee	:	Local Students - Rs. 122,000/- Foreign Students - US\$ 1755

Eligibility requirements:

Should have obtained a Postgraduate degree of at least 2 years duration with a research component/ MSc Degree/ M.Phil. degree on one of the above streams of subjects from a university/a recognized institute by the UGC.

Or

Any other qualification considered equivalent to the above which is accepted by the senate of the university.

Duration of Research

The duration of Research is 03 years from the date of registration.

Extension of Registration

- Registration will be extended for a maximum period of 04 years. Extension will not be provided under any circumstances after the lapse of seven (07) years from the date of registration.
- If a Candidate is unable to complete the Research within the specified period, the period can be extended as per the recommendation of the Instructor. (The maximum period of extension is 04 years.)
- Candidate's request should be made by the Instructor. The extension is valid only once a year. Therefore, this request should be made three months before the end of each registration year.

Size of the Research Dissertation

A Research Dissertation with words not less than 75,000 should be submitted. The Research dissertation should assist in the broadening of the contemporary knowledge on the relevant subject field and should be of novelty.

Application Fee:

M.Phil. degree/ Ph.D. degree - Rs. 1000/-

To obtain the application forms:

Application forms for the above courses could be obtained up to on weekdays by personally calling over at the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Centre for External Examinations, Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka, No. 214, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 07, or by forwarding a voucher credited to the account No. **711202**, Bank of Ceylon, Homagama of the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka or by sending a voucher obtained from any branch of the Bank of Ceylon paying in order to be credited to the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka account No. **711202** at Homagama Branch of the Bank of Ceylon, together with a self-addressed and stamped (value of Rs. 110/) envelope to the following address. Write the name of the course on the top left-hand corner of the envelope. **Money Orders and cheques are not accepted.**

Senior Assistant Registrar
Faculty of Graduate Studies and Centre for External Examinations
Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka
No. 214, Bauddhaloka Mawatha
Colombo 07.

Applications can also be downloaded from the University website www.bpu.ac.lk

The applicants, who obtain the application forms through internet, should submit the paid bank draft credited to the above mentioned account of the university, along with the completed applications. Duly completed applications should be forwarded to the address above.

Please use the code number before your name when the payments are done. (M.Phil./Ph.D.)

- **N.B. : All candidates applying for Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy degrees must pass MABS - 53015 Philosophical Trends in Buddhism and MARM - 53065 Research Methodology papers of Master of Arts Degree Programme conducted by the Faculty of Graduate Studies of Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka. (This condition does not apply to candidates who have completed above subjects of Master of Arts degree from Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka.)**
- **Submission of an International Conference Research Paper is mandatory for passing the Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy degrees**
- **Candidates applying for M.Phil./Ph.D. degrees should also attach the thesis plan and photocopies of attested certificates, related to the research topic with the application.**

Issuing of applications

Applications for M.Phil. & Ph.D. Degree can be obtained at any date of the year.

Further details please contact the : 0112580609