



# Diploma in School Librarianship

(Course code : DSL)

DSL 2022/2023

## 1) Introduction

According to the educational reforms introduced in 1998, the school library, the audio-visual unit, and the Computer Lab of the school were combined and renamed as the School Library and Learning Resource Centre. Accordingly, the role of the school / teacher Librarian has become teaching information skills, teaching participation, facilitating independent learning, and teaching to read. By this it is expected to improve the quality of the resource-based teaching and learning processes. The Diploma in School Librarianship intends to provide the appropriate knowledge, attitudes and skills required to fulfill the new roles and to produce a group of professionals who can shoulder these new transformations.

## 2) Target Group

Those who already work in school libraries and those who would like to join a school library.

## 3) Entry Requirements

Passing GCE (A / L)    **Old Syllabus** : Passing 04 main subjects  
**New Syllabus** : Passing 03 main subjects

OR

Passing GCE (O/L) and the **Certificate in School Librarianship (CSL) /Advanced certificate in School librarianship (ACSL) or Advanced Certificate in Librarianship (ACL)** awarded by the National Institute of Library and Information Sciences.

## 4) Intended Learning Outcomes

After completing this course, the participants will be able to

- Understand the new trends in the school library,
- Discover the contribution of the school library to the resource-based teaching / learning process.
- Use online learning as a tool and
- Gain skills required to become an information literate person

## 5) Course Contents

1. School Library Learning Resource Centre
2. Information Literacy
3. Internet Literacy
4. Library Collection Management
5. Children and youth Literature
6. Teaching reading
7. Project

6) **Significance of the Program:** As shown in the figure, completion of DLIM will enable to continue to Higher Diploma at SLQF Level 4.

7) **Course Duration:** 12 Months

8) **Medium of Instruction:** Sinhala/Tamil  
(A program in any language will be conducted only if an adequate number of students have enrolled, to study in that medium).

9) **Mode of Study:** All classes will be conducted only in online mode until further notice.

10) **Evaluation Criteria:**

In each taught subject, 50% will be added from all classroom assignments/assessments/term papers etc. The balance 50% shall be added from the written examinations held at the end of the semester. A project report must be completed, in addition to the assignment and the written examination. All end of semester written examination (will be held at NILIS, University of Colombo, online otherwise stated.)

11) **To Obtain the Diploma in School Librarianship Certificate**

An assignment must be completed for each module and a minimum of 50% or above must be obtained to pass that module. In addition, a written report on a given topic must be submitted and a minimum of 50% or above must be obtained to pass in the report.

12) **Course Fees:**

Total Course fee is **Rs.27900/=** which can be paid in Full or in Two installments.

Installment	Amount	Due Date
First Installment	Rs.16150	Before Register to the Course.
Second Installment	Rs.11750	Before the First Semester Examination

13) **Applications close on: 07<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

14) **Commencement of the Program: August 2022**

15) **Process of Applying:**

1. Download the application from our website  
([https://nilis.cmb.ac.lk/home/news/2022/new\\_2022/2208//](https://nilis.cmb.ac.lk/home/news/2022/new_2022/2208//))
2. Fill the application form as clearly as possible
3. Deposit Rs. 250.00 as Application Processing Fee to the Account No. 086100101191736 of Peoples' Bank, Thimbirigasyaya Branch and paste the original receipt in the given cage in the Application Form.
4. Enclose certified copies of the birth certificate, GCE/OL certificate(s) , GCE/AL certificate and the NIC.
5. Write the Course code on top left corner of the envelope.
6. Post the application and other attachments to the.

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