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Appointments (Academic Staff): The Librarian

Mr. Nimal Hettiarachchi, who was the Deputy Librarian of University of Ruhuna, has recently assumed the distinguished role of Librarian for the University. In an auspicious ceremony held on January 16, 2023, Mr. Hettiarachchi took on his new responsibilities, graced by the presence of the venerable Maha Sangha and Senior Prof. Sujeewa Amarasena, Vice Chancellor of the University of Ruhuna.

This momentous occasion was witnessed by a distinguished gathering, including Prof. E. P. Saman Chandana, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Faculty Deans, Department Heads, and scholarly academics including former acting Librarian, Mr. Lal Pannila. The event also welcomed the Registrar, Bursar, and the dedicated non-academic staff who contribute tirelessly to the university's functioning.

The occasion was enriched by the enthusiastic participation of both academic and non-academic staff members of the Library, further underscoring the unity and commitment that define the University of Ruhuna community.





Mr. Nimal Hettiarachchi's story is a testament to his hard work and academic success. He started at the University of Ruhuna and earned a top-notch B.Sc. degree in Mathematics. He joined the University on May 13, 1991, as a Temporary Instructor. Later, on March 11, 1996, he became an Assistant Librarian, playing a significant role in the University's Library.

To expand his expertise, Mr. Hettiarachchi pursued a Master's degree in Library and Information Science at the University of Kelaniya. His knowledge and skills helped him move up the ladder: he became a Senior Assistant Librarian Grade II on November 1, 2001, and then a Senior Assistant Librarian Grade I on August 16, 2005.

His dedication to library sciences led to his promotion as Deputy Librarian on April 21, 2021. He also temporarily served as Acting Librarian from October 22, 2019, to November 21, 2021, showing strong leadership during this time.

The University of Ruhuna extends its heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Nimal Hettiarachchi for his outstanding achievements and wishes him continued success in all his future endeavors. His journey exemplifies the University's commitment to fostering scholarly excellence and professional growth.



Renovation of the Library – University of Ruhuna

We are delighted to share the news that the University of Ruhuna has embarked on the long-anticipated renovation of the Main Library at Wellamadama Premises. This ambitious project, valued at LKR 147.6 million, is dedicated to the comprehensive modernization of the library's facilities, aligning them with the evolving academic and research demands of our university community.

We are pleased to announce that the contract to undertake the project has been awarded to Solinro Builders, a renowned construction company. Solinro Builders boasts a proven track record of successfully delivering high-quality construction projects within stipulated timelines and budgetary constraints. We hold a strong belief in their capacity to excel in the library's renovation. Serving as the project's consultant is the esteemed State Engineering Corporation, which brings its wealth of expertise in engineering and project management to ensure the project's execution aligns with the utmost standards.



PROJECT : Major Renovation Works in the Existing Building (Phase I)
at Main Premises of University of Ruhuna,
Wellamadama, Matara - Library Building
Project Value : 147.6 million

Client :



University of Ruhuna

Consultant :



State Engineering Corporation

The library renovation project marks a significant milestone for the University of Ruhuna. As the heart of any academic institution, a modern and well-equipped library is pivotal to the university's success. The revamped library will offer students, faculty, and researchers a comfortable and conducive space for studying, learning, and conducting research.

The renovation encompasses several aspects, including upgrading the library's technological infrastructure, enhancing lighting and ventilation systems, refurbishing furniture, as well as addressing the roof and flooring of the main library. Furthermore, the interior design will undergo an upgrade to create a more welcoming and contemporary ambiance.

Anticipated to span approximately 12 months, the library's renovation necessitates a partial closure. However, during this period, the library administration is committed to ensuring students have access to required materials through alternative means.



Moving Towards an Open Access Future

By

K.A.I.M. Amarasekara, Assistant Librarian, Faculty of Agriculture

Open Access Publishing

In the present dynamic and vibrant global scenario, information dissemination and knowledge sharing is very much crucial as a part of the scientific research. As expressed by Hyland (2016), academic publications serve as significant platforms in this regard since they not only produce a public record of knowledge that influences the evolution of disciplines, but they also serve as a vital hub for scholarly communication both within and outside the scientific community. According to the findings of many researchers (Dalton et al, 2020; Bonfadelli, et al., 2017; Kuballa, 2017) publishing procedures have seen remarkable development throughout the time and as a result of that development, evolving open access models can be identified as a most important milestone of academic publishing.

Open access publishing gain significant attention within scientific communication recently, thus it is considered as both an opportunity for and a threat to scientific research community. Many researchers (Matheka et al. 2014; Velterop, 2003; Suber, 2012) have defined the term “Open Access” in various ways and the condition where content is made freely, instantly, and without restrictions is the overall premise of all these definitions. The idea of democratizing knowledge and promoting innovation is the driving force behind the global growth of the open access movement. As time goes on, it becomes more and more clear that an open access future has enormous possibilities for academia, society, and the expansion of human knowledge. Moreover, the introduction of open access has changed how scientific knowledge is shared and accessed on a global basis. By granting unlimited access to academic literature and research findings, open access attempts to remove informational barriers.

Open Access publishing has undergone several key evolutionary developments with the goal driven by making research findings freely available to the public. These developments are further accelerated by the rise of the internet and realization of digital technology. The creation of the Budapest Open Access Initiative (BOAI) was an important milestone of open access publishing and dissemination, where BOAI is a declaration of commitment, a declaration of strategy, and a declaration of principles. The initiative was signed by representatives of researchers, universities, laboratories, libraries, foundations, journals, publishers, learned societies from around the world and it encourages the scholars to self-archive their work in public repositories or publish them in open access journals.

Further to that growth of open access journals, institutional and subject repositories, funding policies of several nations such as European Union, United Kingdom, Denmark, Australia (Matheka et al, 2014), open access advocacy and mandates by several organizations such as Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) and the Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association (OASPA) and technological innovations fueled the development of open access publishing.

Open access publication has the ability to democratize knowledge, stimulate cooperation, and accelerate scientific advancement, benefiting researchers, institutions, and society at large despite the fact that there are numerous contradictory viewpoints.

Breaking down Barriers

Because publications are frequently hidden behind prohibitively high paywalls or expensive journal subscriptions, the traditional academic publishing paradigm frequently restricts access to research. The diffusion of knowledge was hampered by this system, and it made it difficult for researchers, especially those working in resource-constrained settings to access vital data. By eliminating these obstacles, open access has arisen as a remedy for this issue, enabling scholars, researchers, students, decision-makers, and the general public to freely access and profit from intellectual materials.

Accelerating Scientific Progress

By promoting the quick sharing of research discoveries, the open access movement has the potential to expedite scientific advancement. When research articles are freely accessible, scientists can expand on their body of knowledge, foster teamwork, and generate fresh insights. Researcher exposure and impact are frequently improved by open access articles' increased readership and citations. Additionally, facilitating funding and opportunity acquisition for researchers, this elevated visibility can further improve scientific research.

Innovating and Interdisciplinary Research

Collaboration and creativity across disciplines are promoted through open access. In order to encourage the exchange of ideas and approaches, access limitations must be lifted so that researchers from other disciplines and backgrounds can interact with one other's work. This multidisciplinary strategy promotes creativity and hastens scientific advances in fields that call for multiple views. Innovative solutions to complex societal problems, from healthcare and climate change to technology and social sciences, can be found through the free interchange of knowledge and ideas across disciplines.

Education and Lifelong Learning Support

The empowerment of education at all levels is greatly aided by open access. Access to a multitude of academic materials, including books and journal articles, is free for students, teachers, and self-learners. This access democratizes education by giving students from all backgrounds the opportunity to obtain reliable information and participate in research-based learning. Open access also encourages lifelong learning by giving experts access to the most recent research and allowing them to keep up with developments in their particular fields.

Focusing On Global Knowledge Inequalities

The goal of global knowledge fairness is one of the core tenets of the open access movement. Financial limitations often prevent institutions and individuals from accessing important research in many regions of the world. By guaranteeing that knowledge is freely accessible to everybody, regardless of location or socioeconomic status, open access eliminates this imbalance. Open access helps create a more fair and inclusive international research community by bridging the knowledge gap between developed and developing countries.

Challenges and the Way Forward

Although open access publishing is a significant and innovative field of scholarly communication, it is still the most controversial sector for a number of reasons.

The attitude of the research community towards the open access publishing and knowledge dissemination can vary among the individuals and disciplines. Still there are contradictory debates on pros and cons of open access publishing among the research community. Many researchers' (Eger et al., 2015; Zhu, 2017; Schroter et al., 2005; Joung et al., 2019; O'Hanlon et al., 2020) main concern of open access models is the quality of these models (as cited in Greussing et al., 2020). Further they have highlighted some key aspects associated with the poor quality of open access models such as perceived reputation, impact factor of the publication, rigor and speed of peer review process. All these criteria are caused to researchers reluctant to publish their findings via open access modes, since all these criteria are in the lower level in terms of open access means. Moreover, the researchers believe that publishing in traditional grounded publication models are the best routes to uplift the academic tenure and the promotion system. Another crucial justifications in favor of scholar hesitations towards the open access publishing are plagiarism and copyright issue of open access publications and predatory journals (Lwoga and Questier, 2015; .Swanberg et al., 2020). Also funding for open access publishing, specially article processing charges (APCs) identified as a common barrier for open access publishing and dissemination and this challenge is crucial for the authors without institutional support and research funding (Schroter et al., 2005).

While traditional subscription-based publishing has seen enormous growth, it's crucial to highlight that many academic fields still heavily rely on it. In order to successfully make the switch to open access, the research community must continue to communicate, work together, and adopt policies. As per the findings of Pinfield (2015), some topics haven't received as much attention from the scholarly world in terms of open access publishing and dissemination. Particularly relationship between green and gold open access means is still controversial and there are more arguments among the researchers towards this relationship. Additionally, there is a significant research deficit in the areas of defining and quantifying the impact of open access publishing, practicing and transitioning to open access at the local institutional levels, and lack of open access adoption policy at the national levels.

It is important to highlight that the requirement of open access work has already been established, and open access works are in high demand in the scholarly community, while examining the key study fields of open access publishing and dissemination. Making open access work in practice is a less discussed aspect of open access publication and dissemination, though. There, it should be addressed the areas such as adoption of proper policies and procedures, making positive attitude towards the open access work among the research community and financial sustainability for open access works. Moreover, stakeholders must work together and make investments in infrastructure, technical platforms, and financial methods to guarantee the expansion and sustainability of open access. This will make it possible for scholars to publish in renowned open access journals without sacrificing quality or reputation. Further facilitating the dissemination and reuse of research products will be the development of open access repositories, preprint servers, and data sharing platforms.

Conclusion

The way that research is shared, accessed, and used is being revolutionized by the open access movement. Open access sets the way for a world in which information is freely accessible to everyone by removing financial barriers, encouraging cooperation, and fostering knowledge sharing. In order to establish an open access environment that promotes scientific advancement, innovation, and social well-being as we accept this paradigm change, academics, institutions, funding agencies, and governments must collaborate. By doing so, we can design a world in which knowledge actually has no bounds.

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Achievements (Academic Staff)



Mrs. Theja Kuruppu Arachchi, a Senior Assistant Librarian (Grade 1) at the Main Library, University of Ruhuna, successfully completed her PhD studies on January 24, 2023, through the Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Australia, as part of the University of Colombo Joint PhD Program organized by the University Grants Commission, Sri Lanka.

She was honored with the Interaction Design for International Development Award for a research paper derived from her PhD Thesis, which she presented at the INTERACT2021, IFIP TC13 Conference on Human-Computer Interaction, held on September 1, 2021, in Bari, Italy. The details of her achievement can be found on the following webpage: <http://ifip-tc13.org/awards/#tab-fd674e07a75569e5c79>.

New Appointments – Chairperson - LQAC

Dr. Theja Kuruppuarachchi, Senior Assistant Librarian (Acquisition) at the Main Library, University of Ruhuna, has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Library Quality Assurance Cell (LQAC), effective from April 1st, 2023.

Dr. Theja is an experienced and accomplished professional who has been a valuable member of the university library for many years. In her new role as Chairperson, Dr. Theja will collaborate closely with the members of the Library Quality Assurance Cell to ensure that library services and resources uphold the highest standards of quality. She will also devise and implement strategies to elevate the quality of library services, streamline library processes, and enrich the user experience within the library community.

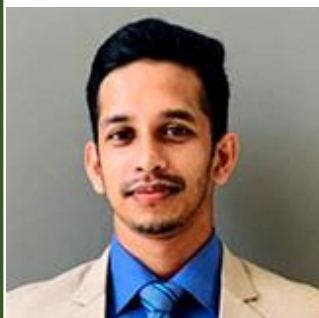
New Appointment – Academic Committee member of NILIS



The Library University of Ruhuna is pleased to announce that **Mr. Nimal Hettiarachchi, the Librarian of the University of Ruhuna**, has been nominated as a member of the Academic Committee of the National Institute of Library and Information Science (NILIS), University of Colombo. His nomination stems from his position as a member of Standing Committee of Library and Information Science (SCOLIS). His appointment to NILIS's Academic Committee stands as a testament to his esteemed status within the profession and the acknowledgment of his valuable contributions to the field.

In his capacity as a member of the Academic Committee, Mr. Nimal will play a pivotal role in offering guidance and support for the advancement of academic programs in the domain of library and information science. Collaborating with fellow committee members, he will be instrumental in the review and development of curricula, programs, and policies pertaining to education in library and information science.

New Appointment

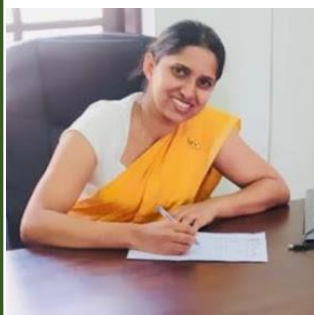


We are pleased to announce that **Mr. Thilina Madushanka, Assistant Librarian (Technical Services)** at the Main Library, University of Ruhuna, has been appointed as the Administrator for the Turnitin Service platform of the University, effective from January 1st, 2023.

As the newly designated Administrator for the Turnitin Service, Mr. Thilina will undertake the responsibility of overseeing the management of the service. This includes conducting training sessions for faculty members and students to acquaint them with its functionalities, and ensuring that the service's implementation aligns harmoniously with the academic policies and procedures of the university. His role will involve close collaboration with faculty members, staff, and students, offering them guidance and support in matters of plagiarism prevention and proper citation practices as required. If you have any queries regarding Turnitin use, you can contact Mr. Thilina via thilnadmt@lib.ruh.ac.lk

Mr. Thilina Madushanka, Assistant Librarian (Technical Services) at the Main Library, University of Ruhuna, has been appointed as the Library Coordinator for the Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Ruhuna, effective from January 1st, 2023. In his role as the new Library Coordinator, Mr. Thilina will collaborate closely with faculty members to develop and implement strategies that foster academic excellence and enrich the overall learning journey of students within the Faculty of Management and Finance. Additionally, he will oversee the planning and execution of various academic and extracurricular activities that leverage the resources of the Library, which are integral to the holistic development of students.

Mrs. H.E.P. Mayuri, Assistant Librarian



- Member of University Web Committee
- In charge of the Web & Publicity Committee of iRuFARS 2023
- Conference Web Editor of ICULA 2023, 13th International Conference of University Librarians Association
- In charge of Sponsorship Committee of ICULA 2023, 13th International Conference of University Librarians Association
- Layout Editor of ICULA 2023 Conference Proceedings

Mr. J.A. Ajith, Assistant Librarian



- Member of University Web Committee
- Layout Editor of ULA newsletters 2023



New Appointments – Faculty Library Committees Chairman

We are pleased to announce that the following appointment of the new Chairman of the Library Committee for the Faculties. This appointment was made by the Faculty Board.

<p>Faculty of Agriculture</p>  <p>Mrs. C.P. Rupasinghe Senior Lecturer Department of Agricultural Economics</p>	<p>Faculty of Allied Health Sciences</p>  <p>Mrs. H. E. Pavithra Mayuri Assistant Librarian</p>	<p>Faculty of Engineering</p>  <p>Dr. Ruwan Gallage Head of the Department of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering</p>
<p>Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Sciences & Technology</p>  <p>Dr. K.R. Gamage Senior Lecturer Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture</p>	<p>Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences</p>  <p>Mr. I. Renuka Priyantha Senior Lecturer Department of Public Policy</p>	<p>Faculty of Management and Finance</p>  <p>Dr. Gayan Priyashantha Senior Lecturer Department of Human Resource Management</p>
<p>Faculty of Medicine</p>  <p>Dr. Janithra De Silva Lecturer Department of Community Medicine</p>	<p>Faculty of Science</p>  <p>Prof. P. D. Abeysinghe Senior Professor Department of Botany</p>	<p>Faculty of Technology</p>  <p>Dr. A.M Ajward Senior Lecturer Department of Engineering Technology</p>

Announcement of Achievements – Library Para-professionals

We are pleased to announce that the following Library paraprofessionals at the University of Ruhuna have successfully completed the Diploma in Library and Information Science (DLIS) program offered by the Library Association of Sri Lanka (LASSL) on April 10, 2023.

- Mrs. A.P. Achini Devika - Library Information Assistant (Gr. III)
- Mr. B.H.R.H. Madhushanka - Library Information Assistant (Gr. III)
- Mrs. R.K.S. Dilhani Janaki - - Library Information Assistant (Gr. III)
- Mrs. R. Nadeesha Nisansala - Library Information Assistant (Gr. III)

Furthermore, Mr. J.P. Isuru Shyaman - Library Information Assistant (Grade III) successfully completed the Higher Diploma in Library and Information Science – Level I (HDIPLIS – I) program from the Library Association of Sri Lanka (LASSL) on January 17, 2022.

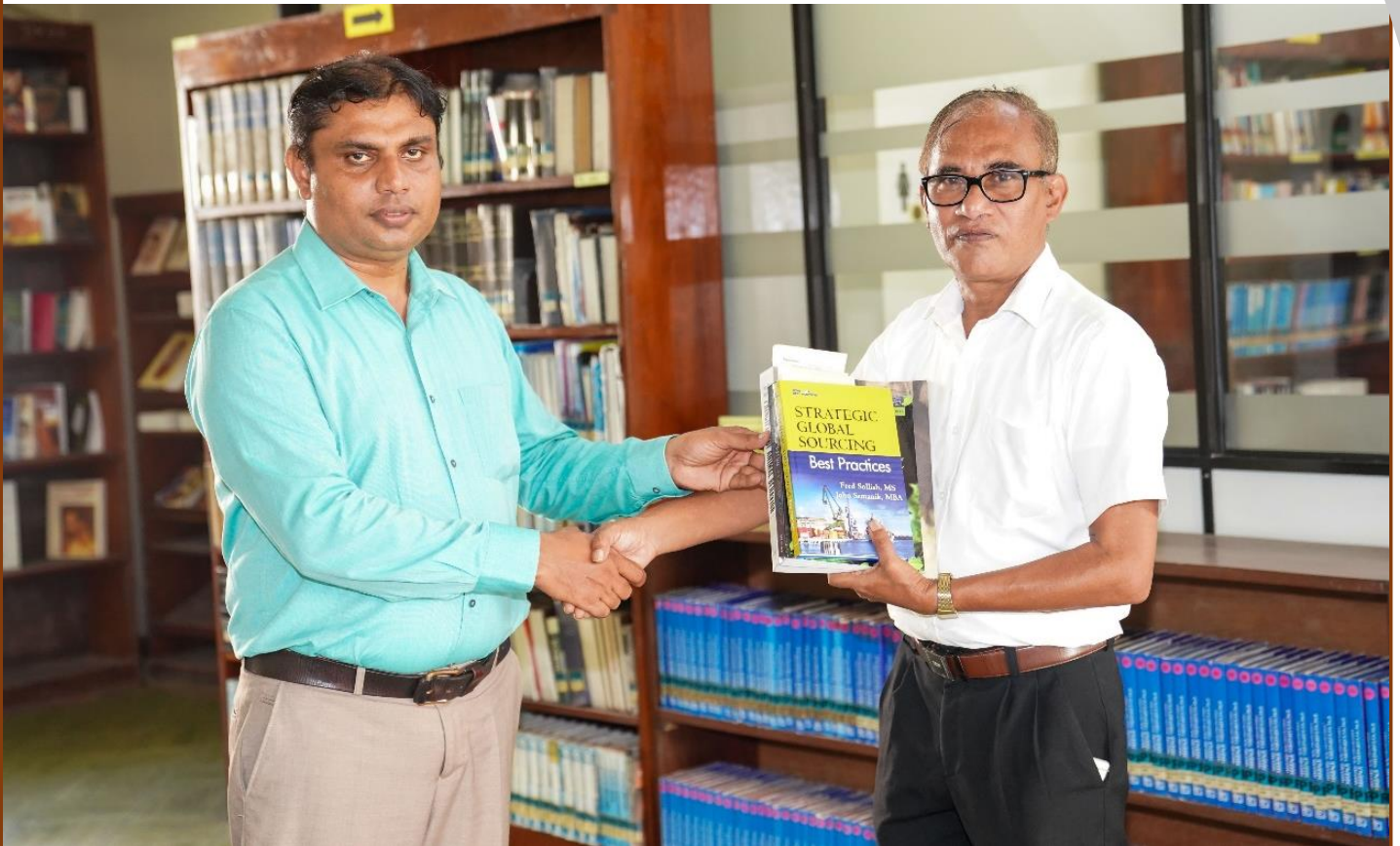


This stands as a notable accomplishment for these individuals, and it is with pride that we acknowledge their unwavering commitment and hard work in their field. The Diploma in Library and Information Science encompasses a comprehensive spectrum of subjects, spanning library science, information management, and information technology. The successful completion of this program underscores their dedication to professional growth and their eagerness to amplify their proficiency in the discipline.

As paraprofessionals within the library domain, these individuals hold a pivotal role in bolstering the library's functions and services. We hold the belief that the insights and proficiencies acquired through this program will significantly contribute to the library's overarching success.

In light of this, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Isuru, Mrs. Achini, Mr. Madhushanka, and Mrs. Nadeesha for their remarkable feat. We extend our best wishes for their future pursuits and anticipate their ongoing contributions to the advancement of the library profession.

Book Donation to the University Library



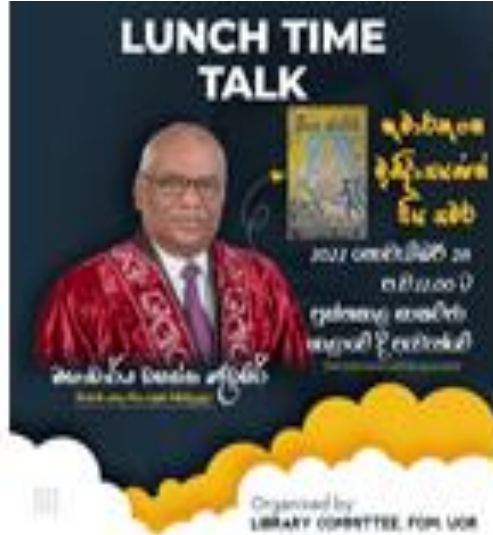
A total of 76 books have been generously donated to the University Main Library by the EU co-funded Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable (TESS) project. Organized by Professor Thusitha Gunawardana, this initiative has allocated a budget of EURO 5,000 to contribute a diverse range of books across various disciplines. These encompass areas such as solid waste management, entrepreneurship, energy management, data analysis, risk management, and green supply chain management, significantly augmenting the collection at Ruhuna University's Main Library. By enriching the library's holdings with these contributions, the TESS team aims to foster a research-driven culture in these subject domains, ultimately creating avenues for entrepreneurship

TESS is a noteworthy Erasmus+ Capacity Building project in Higher Education, benefitting from co-funding of 969,089 euros from the European Union. Employing an interdisciplinary approach, the project endeavors to introduce novel educational programs centered around waste management, circular economy, waste treatment, and valorization within Sri Lanka.

Book Donation- SAGARAM Project of Leo-Club of University of Ruhuna

The Leo Club of the University of Ruhuna, through their SAGARAM Project, generously contributed by donating 144 books to the Main Library of the University of Ruhuna on February 6, 2023. This donation comprised 102 Tamil books, 41 Sinhala books, and 1 English book.





Lunch Time Talk Programme – Medical Library

The Lunch Time Talk program, organized by the Library of the Faculty of Medicine, has gained significant popularity among both students and staff. This initiative not only highlights the diverse reading interests within the community but also fosters a vibrant literary ambiance, enriching the overall experience.



Lunch Time TALK





Lunch Time Talk @ Medical Library



New Similarity Detection Platform - Drillbit

Introducing the New Similarity Detection Platform - Drillbit On July 6th, 2023, a comprehensive training session was conducted to acquaint the university staff with the innovative similarity detection platform, 'Drillbit'. Developed by Balani Infotech Company, this platform has been introduced as a consortium model in collaboration with the University Grants Commission (UGC) for all government universities in Sri Lanka.



As part of this initiative, the University of Ruhuna has been granted a one-month trial access to the Drillbit platform, spanning from July 1st, 2023, to July 31st, 2023. This strategic move aligns with our commitment to fostering academic integrity and ensuring the quality of scholarly work within the university community.



Springer Trial Access Extended

The trial access for the authorized journals on the Springer and Nature Platform has been extended. Originally scheduled to end on July 31st, 2023, the trial access period will now continue until August 31st, 2023. This extension is designed to provide enhanced benefits to our academic staff members and the undergraduate/postgraduate students who are actively engaged in research pursuits. For additional information, please visit the following link: <https://www.lib.ruh.ac.lk/info/26>

Workshops conducted by the Library

No	Date	Workshop Title	Target Group	Coordinated By	Resource Person
01	09 th May 2023	Basics of Research Methodology in Social Science Research	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies	Department of Parli and Buddhist Studies	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
02	22 nd May	Dissertation Guide	Final year Undergraduates of the Department Agri Business Management	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Agriculture	Mrs. K.A.I.M. Amarasekara, Assistant Librarian
03	23 th May 2023	Approach to tern Pali and Buddhist related Research into statistical viewpoint	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies	Department of Parli and Buddhist Studies	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
04	25 th May 2023	Accessing Scholarly Databases for academic writing	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Geographic	Department of Geography	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
05	05 th June	Reference Management through Zotero	Final year Undergraduates of the Department Agri Business Management	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Agriculture	Mrs. K.A.I.M. Amarasekara, Assistant Librarian
06	06 th June 2023	How to develop Research Proposal in Social Science Research Discipline	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies	Department of Parli and Buddhist Studies	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
07	13 th June 2023	E-Library access for Academic Writing	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Human Resources Management	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Management and Finance	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
08	26 th June 2023	Introduction to Library Facilities & Access to E-resources	First year undergraduates of the faculty	Department of Nursing	Mrs. H.E.P. Mayuri, Assistant Librarian
09	30 th June 2023	Session 1 - Information Literacy for Undergraduate students	24 th Batch – All Students	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty Engineering	Mr. J.G. Arachchige, Senior Assistant Librarian
10	30 th June 2023	Session 2 - Information Literacy for Undergraduate students	24 th Batch – All Students	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty Engineering	Mr. J.G. Arachchige, Senior Assistant Librarian
11	14 th July 2023	Awareness on Plagiarism Prevention Policy and Reference Management	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Geographic	Department of Geography	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
12	17 th July 2023	Plagiarism Prevention	Post Graduate Students, Faculty of Medicine	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Medicine	Mr. K.T.S. Pushpakumara, Senior Assistant Librarian
13	17 th July 2023	Guide to prepare final Dissertation and Reference Management	All the final year Undergraduates of Agriculture	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Agriculture	Mrs. K.A.I.M. Amarasekara, Assistant Librarian
14	17 th July 2023	Awareness of Plagiarism Prevention policy of UOR	All the final year Undergraduates of Agriculture	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Agriculture	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian

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15	18 th July 2023	Population, Sampling and awareness of Similarity detection policy and platform of UOR	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies	Department of Parli and Buddhist Studies	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
16	19 th July 2023	Awareness of Information Retrieval Techniques form Scholarly Databases Subscribed by University of Ruhuna	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Marketing	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Management and Finance	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
17	20 th July 2023	Awareness on UOR's Plagiarism Prevention Policy and Guide to Create and Work on a Turnitin Student Account	Final Year Undergraduates of Department of Nursing	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Allied and Health Sciences	Mrs. H.E.P. Mayuri, Assistant Librarian
18	22 nd July 2023	Statistical Data Analysis in SPSS and use of References Management Software	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies	Department of Parli and Buddhist Studies	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian
19	26 th July 2023	Awareness of Information Retrieval Techniques form Scholarly Databases Subscribed by University of Ruhuna	Final year Undergraduates of the Department of Entrepreneurship	Faculty Library Committee of Faculty of Management and Finance	Mr. D.M.T. Madushanka, Assistant Librarian





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