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## **List of Abbreviations**

KDU	Kotelawala Defence University
FMSH	Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities
FDSS	Faculty of Defence and Strategic Studies
FOM	Faculty of Medicine
FAHS	Faculty of Allied Health Sciences
BOM	Board of Management
BOE	Board of Examination
HOD	Head of the Department
BSc	Bachelor of Science
SS	Social Sciences
GCE (A/L)	General Certificate of Examination (Advanced Level)
GCE (O/L)	General Certificate of Examination (Ordinary Level)
GPV	Grade Point Value
GPA	Grade Point Average
NGPA	Non-Grade Point Average
MGPA	Military Grade Point Average
SGPA	Semester Grade Point Average
YGPA	Year Grade Point Average
FGPA	Final Grade Point Average
IT	Information Technology
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility
IRC	International Research Conference

## ***University Vision***

*To be a university nationally and internationally known for its unique ability to engage both undergraduate and graduate students in distinctive and interdisciplinary defence related higher education that best serves the tri-services, the state sector and society at large.*

## ***University Mission***

*To ensure a high quality, learner-centred educational experience through undergraduate, graduate, and professional programmes along with high quality research across many disciplines in the field of defence, in both residential and non-residential settings in the campus.*

## ***Faculty Mission***

*To facilitate to accomplish the academic excellence in Management, Social Sciences and Humanities by offering lectures, research guidance and other learner-centred educational activities to undergraduates, graduates and professionals in the field.*



## Message from the Dean



On behalf of the Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities, I would like to welcome you all for the undergraduate degree programmes at General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University. You have been given a unique opportunity of learning in a Defence University either as an Officer Cadet or as a Day Scholar since you have been identified as a potential leader and a valuable person of this country.

We provide a vibrant and accommodating staff who will prepare you for real world challenges and future leadership opportunities. We encourage you to explore the full diversity of opportunities we offer to specialize in Management, Social Sciences and Humanities and to gain future opportunities in military or corporate sector.

The degrees which have been designed to improve your academic discipline, technical skills and social skills will help you to groom as outstanding graduates. It is important that you learn to think creatively and critically, and to work with others in order to resolve complex problems. Modules such as IT and International Relations will make you more sound personalities on current affairs of the world. The way forward to the future path as a modern thinker and a visionary person will be guided by sound academic and military staff of KDU during your stay with us.

We hope that the time you spend with us, as undergraduates of our community, will be joyful, exciting and productive. In future years, you will look back on the KDU experience as one which set you on the path to fulfill your career and life ambitions, and you will love your university forever. Finally, we wish you the courage to work hard to achieve success at KDU.

Dr. Namali Sirisoma

Dean

Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities

## Message from the Head of the Department



It is with great pleasure that I send this message to the Student Handbook for BSc in Social Sciences. The Department of Social Sciences offers a three-year degree programme in the field of Social Sciences with the objective of producing dynamic graduates to be practitioners in relevant fields, both at national and international levels.

The degree is blended with Economics, Geography and Management as core modules and they are accompanied by a series of common and auxiliary subjects to enhance the expected core competencies of graduates in Social Sciences. The curriculum of this degree programme has been designed with the objective of producing a human resource, which is competent in dealing with social sciences issues to deliver effective contributions towards the productivity of the employing organizations, and the society at large. Leadership and other interpersonal skills are also developed in parallel to the academic work with the assistance of Defence staff in the university to produce sound leaders to the country.

The composition of our academic staff is comprised with diverse skills and expertise in the field of Social Sciences. With the availability of a dedicated academic staff, the department is open to absorb novelty into the degree curriculum to uplift the quality and capacity of undergraduates. To enhance the practical knowledge, an internship programme at leading private and public-sector organizations has been incorporated into the degree programme with the collaboration of National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority (NAITA). In addition, field visits, workshops with industry, case study tours and conferences etc. empower the quality of the degree programme further.

As the Head of the Department of Social Sciences, I earnestly advise all the students to read this book carefully and plan your academic work accordingly. I hope that the next three years will be an exciting time for you, and it will bring phenomenal intellectual and personal growth and development within your lives. I wish you all the best for your future endeavours.

Dr. Hemantha Premarathne  
Head of the Department  
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## **The University**

General Sir John Kotelawela Defence University (KDU) was initially established as the “General Sir John Kotelawala Defence Academy” by the Parliamentary Act No 68 of 1981 and subsequently elevated to University status by the Amendment Act No 27 of 1988. KDU is located at the Kandawala Estate in Ratmalana, which was donated by the late General Sir John Kotelawala. The faculties at KDU include the Defence and Strategic studies, Law, Management, Social Sciences and Humanities, Engineering, Faculty of Medicine, Allied Health Sciences and Graduate Studies. Currently, local students get enrolled to the Faculty of Medicine as officer cadets and foreign students as day scholars. All the other faculties are open for defence and civil citizens as well as foreign students.

## **The Faculty of Management, Social Sciences & Humanities**

The Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities has been established under the restructuring program of the General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University in 2011. It consists of three departments namely Department of Management and Finance, Department of Social Sciences and Department of Languages.

The Department of Management & Finance offers two degree programs namely BSc in Logistics Management, and BSc in Management & Technical Sciences. The Department of Social Sciences offers BSc in Social Sciences. There are more than 300 undergraduates enrol into the degree programmes offered by the faculty every year. These undergraduates are studying as officer cadets and day scholars in the same degree programme.



## The Department of Social Sciences

The Department of Social Sciences established under the Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities at Sir John Kotelawala Defence University on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010, offers opportunities for both Cadets and Day Scholars to obtain BSc in Social Sciences degree. The students in Social Sciences degree programme, are offered Economics, Geography and Management as core subjects along with other common subjects that are essential to reach the expected competencies of a BSc graduate. At present, it has around 175 students under the department.

### Academic and Non-academic Staff of the Department

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# **BSc in Social Sciences Degree Programme**

## ***The Aim***

To produce human resources competent in dealing with Social Science related issues as experts and to deliver productive contributions towards the objectives of the employing organizations, and the society at large while fulfilling the hierarchy of human needs as an individual in the society.

## ***Structure of the Programme***

The course offers Economics, Geography and Management as core subjects and they are accompanied by a series of common and auxiliary subjects carefully selected to instil the expected co-competencies of graduates in Social Sciences.

Course Title	: Bachelor of Science in Social Sciences
Abbreviated Title	: BSc (SS)
Duration	: 3 years
Medium	: English
Number of Credits	: 120

## ***Eligibility Criteria***

### **For Undergraduate Cadetship;**

- (a) Being a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Being not less than 18 years and not more than 22 years of age on the closing date of applications.
- (c) Being unmarried
- (d) Having fulfilled the following educational qualifications at G.C.E. (O/L) Examination.
  - i. Having a minimum of a Credit Pass (C) for English at the G.C.E. (O/L) Examination.
  - ii. Having completed their G.C.E. (O/L) examination in one sitting.

(e) Having fulfilled the following educational qualifications at G.C.E. (A/L) Examination.

- i. Passing the Common General Test.
- ii. Having a minimum of three Simple Passes (S) at the G.C.E. (A/L) examination in any stream and be qualified for university admission.
- iii. Having completed their G.C.E. (A/L) examination in the relevant or immediately preceding year.

(f) Satisfying the following minimum physical standards\*

Item	Service	Male	Female
Height	Army	5'6"	5'3"
	Navy	5'6"	5'3"
	Air Force	5'6"	5'4"
Weight	Army	50 kg	—
	Navy	52 kg	41 kg
	Air Force	17 < BMI < 25	17 < BMI < 25
Chest		32" (unexpanded)	—

\*Subjected to change based on the military requirements.

### For Day Scholars;

- a) Being a between 17-24 years of age on the closing date of application.
- b) Being unmarried.
- c) Having fulfilled the following educational qualifications at G.C.E. (O/L) Examination.
  - i. Having a Credit Pass (C) or above for English Language at G.C.E. (O/L) examination or a Credit Pass (C) or above for English Language in London O/Ls or in any other equivalent foreign examination.
  - ii. Having completed their O/L examination in one sitting.
- d) Having fulfilled the following educational qualifications at G.C.E. (A/L) Examination.
  - i. Having a minimum of three Simple Passes (S) at the G.C.E. (A/L) examination in any stream and be qualified for university admission or possess an equivalent



qualification in London A/Ls (Cambridge or Edexcel) or in any other equivalent foreign examination.

- ii. Having completed their A/L examination in the relevant or immediately preceding year.

### ***Other Requirements***

The applicants who apply under the category of “any other foreign examinations or equivalent qualifications in University Entrance Examinations in any other country” are advised to have relevant minimum qualifications at any other foreign examination that is equal to GCE A/L in Sri Lanka. Validation of such qualifications should be obtained from the Department of Examinations of Sri Lanka. It is also required to submit a letter from a recognized university / academy / higher educational institutions of the country from which he/she has achieved his/her qualifications certifying that the relevant qualification is sufficient to register in that university / academy / higher educational institution to follow an undergraduate course of study leading to a Bachelor’s Degree.

### ***Selection Criteria***

Candidates who have fulfilled the above qualifications shall be called for a written examination and those succeed at this examination will be called for an interview. The final selection will be done on the merit basis.

# Academic Procedures and Regulations

## *The Course Units System*

### **GPA Course Units**

GPA Course Units are those Course Units that have GPA credits. Such Course Units are considered for the calculation of Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA), Yearly Grade Point Average (YGPA) and Final Grade Point average (FGPA).

### **NGPA Course Units**

NGPA Course Units are those Course Units that have Non-Grade Point Average (NGPA) credits. Such Course Units are not considered for the calculation of SGPA, YGPA and FGPA.

### **MGPA Course Units**

MGPA Course Units are those Course Units that have Military Grade Point Average (MGPA) credits. Such Course Units are considered for the calculation of SGPA, YGPA and FGPA.

## *Grades and Grade Point Values of Course Units*

Student performance is graded on a 12-point scale ranging from A+ to E as depicted below.

Marks	Grade	GPV
85 – 100	A+	4.20
75 – 84	A	4.00
70 – 74	A-	3.70
65 – 69	B+	3.30
60 – 64	B	3.00
55 – 59	B-	2.70
50 – 54	C+	2.30
45 – 49	C	2.00
40 – 44	C-	1.70
35 – 39	D+	1.30
30 – 34	D	1.00
00 - 29	E	0.00

Incomplete examination results will be denoted by the following abbreviations.

IA- Incomplete Assessments

IE- Incomplete Examination

IB- Incomplete Both

AB – Absent for a course unit

Ex- Excused on a valid reason

### ***Grade Point Average (GPA)***

The GPA is the credit weighted average of the grade points of value of all Course Units except NGPA Course Units taken in the degree programme. It is calculated for each semester (SGPA), for each year (YGPA) and for the entire degree programme (FGPA).

<b>Index</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
SGPA	Cumulative GPA for a semester	To ascertain whether a student has or has not completed a particular semester
YGPA	Cumulative GPA for a year	To Ascertain whether a student can proceed to the following year without being relegated
FGPA	Cumulative GPA for a year entire period of a degree programme	To ascertain the overall performance of a student in the degree programme, i.e. to determine a Pass, a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lower, a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Upper or a 1 <sup>st</sup> Class

The GPA is calculated as follows.

$$GPA = \frac{\sum X_i Y_i}{\sum Y_i}$$

Where  $X_i$  = Grade Point Value of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  Course Unit

$Y_i$  = Number of credits in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  Course Unit

## Calculating Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA)

$$SGPA = \frac{\sum \text{Grade Point scored for } i^{\text{th}} \text{ course unit} \times \text{Credit Value of the Course Unit}}{\text{Cumulative credit value of all GPA modules of the semester}}$$

The following is an example of the process of calculation of SGPA (Semester 1) of a Social Sciences student.

<i>Course unit Code</i>	<i>Unit title</i>	<i>Course Type</i>	<i>Letter Grade earned</i>	<i>Earned GPV</i>	<i>Credit value</i>	<i>Earned GPV*Credit value</i>
SS1013	Introduction to Sociology	GPA	A-	3.70	03	11.10
SS1023	Elementary Economics	GPA	B	3.00	03	09.00
SS1033	Fundamentals of Management	GPA	B	3.00	03	09.00
SS1043	Fundamentals of Human Geography	GPA	A+	4.20	03	12.60
MA1073	Basic Mathematics	GPA	B+	3.30	03	09.90
SS1052	History of Sri Lanka	GPA	C	2.00	02	04.00
IT1052	Introduction to Information Communication Technology (ICT)	GPA	D	1.00	02	02.00
DL 1091	English Basic Study Skills	GPA	B+	3.30	01	03.30
<b>TOTAL</b>					20	60.90

$$SGPA = \frac{\text{Total Credit Points earned}}{\text{Total No. of Credits}} = \frac{60.90}{20} = 3.045$$

### **Calculating Year Grade Point Average (YGPA)**

The Year GPA for a degree programme will be calculated for the fourth decimal place on the completion of two main semesters and the mid semester (if available) as follows:

$$YGPA = \frac{\sum \text{Grade Point scored for } i^{\text{th}} \text{ course unit} \times \text{Credit Value of the Course Unit}}{\text{Cumulative credit value of all GPA modules of the Year}}$$

### **Calculating Final Grade Point Average (FGPA)**

The Final GPA for a degree programme will be calculated for the fourth decimal place on the completion of all requirements for such programmes as follows:

$$FGPA = \frac{\sum \text{Grade Point scored for } i^{\text{th}} \text{ course unit} \times \text{Credit Value of the Course Unit}}{\text{Cumulative credit value of all GPA modules of the degree programme}}$$

### ***Assessment Procedure***

The performance of each student in each module will be evaluated by continuous assessment (CA) and end-of-semester written examination (WE).

### **Eligibility to sit in an End-of-Semester Examination**

As per the bylaw of the FMSH

1. A student admitted to a particular degree programme is eligible to sit each examination paper relevant to the course of study in a particular semester, provided that he/she has an attendance record of not less than seventy percent (70%). All excuses including medicals should be within the remaining thirty percent (30%). The Faculty Board, based on the attendance report submitted by the respective HOD, should approve the eligibility list.
2. A student who acquires such eligibility to any examination shall sit such examination on the first available occasion.
3. Those who are not eligible for examination under section 4.1 - 1 above can apply for the next examination as repeat candidates.

## ***Criteria for Completing a Semester***

### ***Passing a semester***

A student shall satisfy the following minimum requirements for the purpose of completing (passing) a particular semester. He/she should:

1. Obtain a SGPA of 2.0 or above for the whole semester,
2. Obtain a 'C' grade or above for all Course Units. However, not more than one GPA Course Unit with a 'D+' or a 'C-' grade shall be permitted per semester provided the SGPA is 2.00 or above.
3. Military course units which comprise of MGPA and courses conducted in respective military academies will be subject to the By-laws of FDSS (Please refer to By-laws promulgated by the FDSS).

# Discontinuing a Student

## *Discontinuation from the Programme*

A student shall be deemed to have discontinued from the degree programme at the University under following conditions.

- a) When a student has been unable to complete the degree programme within six (6) years or twelve (12) consecutive semesters (the maximum period).
- b) If a student has been determined to be unfit to continue his/her studies at the University by a competent medical board recommended by the University on account of an illness and/or a disability that has occurred after the enlistment of such student to the University, he/she shall have to discontinue his/her degree programme at the University automatically without paying compensation.
- c) In the case of officer cadets and Commissioned Officers the regulations of the By-laws are subject to the By-laws of the FDSS.
- d) If a student is relegated 2 times on account of a failure in an examination and/or on disciplinary grounds, he/she may be considered for discontinuation/discharge by the BOM.

# Award of the Degree

## *Criteria for Award*

1. Satisfaction of the requirements for the completion of all semesters of the Degree Programme.
2. Fulfilment of the criteria for completing the examinations within the maximum stipulated time period for each degree programme from the date of the commencement of the Semester 1
3. Earning a GPA of not less than 2.00 for each semester and for the entire degree programme
4. Following a programme of study for the minimum stipulated period of time
5. Not having any E grades
6. Not having more than one GPA Course Unit with a 'D+' or a 'C-' grade in a semester
7. Not having a Grade less than 'C' for NGPA modules
8. Successfully completing the FGPA modules.

## *Award of Classes*

1. Awarding of classes shall be determined at the completion of all requirements for graduation within the minimum time period stipulated for each degree programme. The stipulated time period is four (04) years.
2. Classes shall be awarded based on the FGPA as indicated below

<i>FGPA</i>	<i>Result</i>
3.70 – 4.20	First Class
3.30 – 3.69	Second Class (Upper Division)
3.00 – 3.29	Second Class (Lower Division)
2.00 – 2.99	Pass



### **First Class**

For the award of a First Class, a student shall:

- a) have completed all the requirements within 6 semesters, except upon approvals granted by the BOM on the recommendation of the BOE for a valid and accepted reason(s).  
and
- b) have earned a GPA of not less than 3.70 for the entire degree programme.  
and
- c) not have earned any failure grades (i.e. E).
- d) not have earned grades below 'C' for the entire degree programme at the time of finalizing the awarding of classes.  
and
- e) not have earned a grade below 'B+' (65%) in the last year examination in military training at respective Military Academies.

### **Second Class (Upper Division)**

For the award of a Second Class (Upper Division), a student shall:

- a) have completed all the requirements within 6 semesters, except upon approvals granted by the BOM on the recommendation of the BOE for a valid and accepted reason(s).  
and
- b) have earned a GPA of not less than 3.30 for the entire degree programme.  
and
- c) not have earned any failure grades (i.e. E).  
and
- d) not have earned a grade below 'B' (60%) in the last year examination in military training at respective Military Academies.

### **Second Class (Lower Division)**

For the award of a Second Class (Lower Division), a student shall:

- a) have completed all the requirements within 6 semesters, except upon approvals granted by the BOM on the recommendation of the BOE for a valid and accepted reason(s).  
and
- b) have earned a GPA of not less than 3.00 for the entire Degree Programme.  
and

c) not have earned any failure grades (i.e. E).

and

d) not have earned a grade below 'B' (60%) in the last year examination in military training at respective Military Academies.

## **Merit Awards**

Students obtaining the highest FGPA in Military Studies and/or Academic Studies shall be entitled for the respective Awards/Medals/Trophies of merit.

### ***Awards/Medals/Trophies***

The Awards/Trophies to which students may be eligible on the recommendation of relevant authorities and the approval of the BOM are:

- i. Trophy for the First in Order of Merit awarded by Gen. SC Ranatunga VSV, USP, psc.
- ii. Trophy for the best Officer Cadet - Army/ Navy/ Air Force
- iii. Trophy for the best overall performance in Academic Studies – Social Sciences Stream.
- iv. Trophy for the best Sportsman awarded by the KDU.
- v. The Sword of Honour.

## Credit Allocation of the Degree Programme

Credit allocations for modules have been done according to the Qualifications Framework of University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka. One credit is equivalent to 15 hours of lectures or 30-45 hours of laboratory studies or 45hours of field studies/clinical work or minimum of 90 hours of industrial training. Cadets are supposed to earn Military Credits in addition to the GPA credits of the programme. Non-GPA (NGPA) modules will not be considered for the final GPA of the student. However, students must pass each module with a minimum ‘C’ pass.

### *Module Allocation of the Degree Programme*

#### Semester 1

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS1113	Elementary Economics	3			✓	✓
2	SS1123	Fundamentals of Management	3			✓	✓
3	SS1133	Fundamentals of Human Geography	3			✓	✓
4	SS1143	Introduction to Sociology	3			✓	✓
5	SS1152	History of Sri Lanka	2			✓	✓
6	IT1172	Introduction to Information Communication Technology (ICT)	2			✓	✓
7	MA1113	Basic Mathematics	3			✓	✓
8	LS1111	English: Basic Study Skills	1			✓	✓
9	MS1114	Military Studies – I			4	✓	
Total Number of Credits			20	0	4		

## Semester 2

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS1213	Microeconomics	3			✓	✓
2	SS1223	Principles of Financial Accounting	3			✓	✓
3	SS1233	Fundamentals of Physical Geography	3			✓	✓
4	MG1213	Human Resource Management	3			✓	✓
5	SS1243	Basic Psychology	3			✓	✓
6	SS1253	Introduction to Global Politics	3			✓	✓
7	SS1263	Basic Statistics	3			✓	✓
8	LS1211	English: Advanced Study Skills	1			✓	✓
9	LS1221 LS1231	Sinhala: Basics for Beginners <u>or</u> Tamil: Basics for Beginners		1		✓	✓
10	MS1214	Military Studies – II			4	✓	
Total Number of Credits			22	1	4		

## Semester 3

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS2113	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3			✓	✓
3	SS2123	Cartography	3			✓	✓
4	MG2133	Entrepreneurship Development	3			✓	✓
5	LW2113	Legal Environment in Sri Lanka	3			✓	✓
6	SS2133	Introduction to Geomatics	3			✓	✓
7	SS2144	Social Research Methods	4			✓	✓
8	LS2111	English: Writing and Speaking Skills	2			✓	✓
9	MS2122	Strategic and Defence Studies			2	✓	✓
10	MS2114	Military Studies –III			4	✓	
Total Number of Credits			21	0	6		

## Mid Semester 1

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS 2011	Field Study	1			✓	✓
Total Number of Credits			0	0	0		

## Semester 4

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS2213	Applied Economics	3			✓	✓
2	SS2223	Contemporary Resource Management	3			✓	✓
3	SS2233	Contemporary Geographic Issues	3			✓	✓
4	SS2243	Approaches to Conflict Analysis and Resolution	3			✓	✓
5	SS2253	Research Project	3			✓	✓
6	MG2213	Project Management	3			✓	✓
8	LS2211	English: Research Writing Skills	2			✓	✓
9	MS2214	Military Studies – IV			4	✓	
Total Number of Credits			20	0	4		

## Semester 5

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS3113	Organizational Behavior	3				✓
2	SS3123	Industrial and Organizational Psychology	3				✓
3	SS3133	International Trade and Finance	3				✓
5	SS3143	International Political Economy	3				✓
6	SS3153	Disaster Management	3				✓
7	MG3153	Quality Management	3				✓
8	MG3133	Ethics & Corporate Governance	3				✓
9	MS3114	Military Training			21	✓	
Total Number of Credits			21	0	21		

## Mid Semester 2

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS 3010	Career Development Programmes		0			✓
Total Number of Credits			0	0	0		

## Semester 6

No	Course Code	Module Name	GPA Credits	NGPA Credits	MGPA Credits	Officer Cadets	Day-scholars
1	SS3219	Industrial Training	9				✓
2	SS3226	Industrial Project Report	6				✓
3		Advanced Military Training			15	✓	
Total Number of Credits			15	0	15		

### Credit Summary for Officer-cadets

Semester	GPA	NGPA	MGPA
1	20	0	4
2	22	1	4
3	21	0	6
Mid Semester - I	1	0	0
4	20	0	4
5	0	0	21
Mid Semester - II	0	0	0
6	0	0	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>54</b>

### Credit Summary for Day-scholars

Semester	GPA	NGPA
1	20	0
2	22	1
3	21	0
Mid Semester - I	1	0
4	20	0
5	21	0
Mid Semester - II	0	0
6	15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>1</b>

## The Military Training Programme

The military training programme is a compulsory component for all officer cadets and it is run in parallel to the undergraduate curriculum. This programme is conducted by the Faculty of Defence Studies and it enables the officer cadets to confidently assume the responsibilities of commissioned officers of the armed forces.



The Department of Defence Studies is under the guidance of the Dean of Faculty of Defence Studies who is assisted by Squadron Commanders in charge of each Intake and Troop Commanders in charge of each troop. These officers, with the assistance of the other rank instructors, impart the essential military knowledge both in the classroom and on the field to



officer cadets. The main components of military training include joint staff duties, leadership studies, land warfare, maritime warfare, air warfare, physical training, drill, weapon training, field craft, map reading, service writing and other methods of instructions, which are crucial for the profession of arms.

Furthermore, an integral aim of military training is to inculcate disciplines amongst the officer cadets. Diverse programmes are conducted to produce highly disciplined officers with high standards of integrity and loyalty.



## **Scholarships and Sponsorships for Cadets and Day-scholars**

Every year, the university gets scholarships from foreign military academies for cadets to study part of their degree programme inclusive of travelling cost and living allowances. The scholarship amount will vary with the availability of placements. Further, the university and tri-forces bear the full cost on international tournaments attended by students through the university.

Entrance scholarship - candidates, whose parents employed in tri-forces, are eligible to apply for a 50% discount of the course fee at the entrance point.

## **Opportunities for Higher Studies for Social Sciences Graduates**

BSc in Social Sciences degree programme provides the undergraduate an insight into the theoretical and practical dimensions of an array of Social Sciences modules which focus on understanding the human society and many other social aspects. The degree is a foundation to prepare the students for pursuing post graduate degrees depending on their chosen disciplines for further studies. At present, the department does not have the capacity to conduct any postgraduate degree programme. However, the students have the opportunity to enter both state and private academic institutions if the BSc in Social Sciences degree fits with the prerequisites of their chosen postgraduate programme.

## **Career Opportunities**

After completing the degree, graduates find themselves working in a range of areas in both government and private institutions. Since the Social Science students study a number of disciplines related to social, political, economic, cultural and technological domains of the contemporary world, graduates of social sciences have the capacity to start their career in any field mentioned above. While Day Scholars focus on a career in the public or private sector, the social sciences graduate officers will serve in the Sri Lanka Army, Sri Lanka Navy and Sri Lanka Airforce executive branches.

# Student Learning Resources

## *The Library*

The library network consists of the Main Library, Southern Campus Library and Faculty libraries of FOM and FAHS and caters to over 4000 readers including both students and the staff of the university. The Main Library possesses a collection covering a vast area of knowledge in Economics, Management, Geography History, Law, Engineering, Physics, and Chemistry. At present, the library collection encompasses over 23000 books pertaining to various subject disciplines and organized under several collections such as Lending and Reference Collection, Periodical Collection, Newspapers Collection, Sri Lanka Collection and Audio-Visual Collection. The library



provides electronic access to full-text databases to facilitate research activities of the university. Further, the library provides facilities in reading, referencing, inter-library loan service, photocopying and checking for plagiarism. The library is open from 0800 hrs to 1800 hrs on weekdays and 0900 hrs to 1645 hrs on Saturday.

### **Contact details:**

+94 11 2622995, +94 11 2632028, Ext: 411 (Librarian)

415 (Senior Assistant Librarian)

414 (Counter)

826 (Medical Library)

0710219371 (Allied Health Sciences Library)

+94113370661 / Ext: 2028 (Southern Campus Library)

Email: [library@kdu.ac.lk](mailto:library@kdu.ac.lk) and [lib\\_inquiries@kdu.ac.lk](mailto:lib_inquiries@kdu.ac.lk)

## *IT Facilities*

The university provides free wifi, computer lab facility and technical support for all the students and the staff of the university. The Computer Lab and the IT Support Centre is located on the second floor of the Academic Wing of the university. The students have the access to IT laboratory and the IT Support Centre from 0800 hrs to 1600 hrs on weekdays.



## **Other Services and Facilities**

### ***Student Mentoring***

Every student of the department has been allocated a specific lecturer as his or her mentor to discuss their academic or personal difficulties they may encounter during the study period. The students are advised to meet their mentor regularly within the allocated hours of the time table to discuss their matters. The mentors will work with the students and guide them to find possible solutions for their common or individual issues.

### ***Student Counselling***

Some Students may undergo personal or psychological problems during their academic time at KDU. The department provides a qualified and dedicated counsellor for those students to discuss any problem or difficulty within a safe and confidential space. If a student needs counselling, he or she needs to make a prior appointment for an appropriate time slot convenient for both parties.

### ***Canteen Facilities***

The university cafeteria is located in the ground floor of the Medical Faculty building that caters to day-scholars and civil staff of the university. In addition to that, the student can buy food items and other stationary from the Honour Shop situated in front of the Cadet Mess building.

### ***Medical Facilities***

KDU Hospital and the University Medical Centre Students provides necessary health care facilities for both Officer Cadets and Day-scholars. Most importantly, the university Medical Officer has the sole authority to issue medical certificates for students. Valid external medical certificates can be provided to explain absence from



examinations/academic activities and are subjected to the approval of the University Medical Officer (Notes: "a valid medical certificate" is defined as a Health Form 307 issued by a government hospital or Ayurvedic certificate 44 issued by Ayurvedic medical centres). Medical certificates should be forwarded to the University Medical officer through the Assistant Registrar of the respected Faculty (Within 7 days from the date of absence).



## Student Societies and other Opportunities

### *Sports*

The university provides facilities for the students for games such as soccer, cricket, rugby, basketball, volleyball, netball, boxing and hockey as well as for individual sports like squash, tennis, badminton, table tennis, weightlifting and swimming. Particularly, the officer cadets are expected to maintain their physical fitness and foster a comradeship in keeping with the service traditions by actively participating in sports. Trained civilian/service instructors and coaches provide training to individuals and teams. KDU teams play regular matches with other universities and clubs. Entrance to National and International Tournaments at appropriate levels are also facilitated for the students.



## ***Club Activities***

The students have the opportunity to participate in different types of club activities to improve their skills and talents and to be socialized among the student community. These clubs include Photography, Music and Dancing, Arts and Culture, Drama, Toast Masters, Chess, Air Rifle and Rowing.



## ***Syndicate Presentations***

Syndicate is a distinct opportunity given for students of different academic streams to come together and conduct an independent research specified for them and present their findings to the academic and military officers of the university. Each syndicate group is allocated a qualified lecturer and a military officer to supervise their research until they make their presentations in front of an audience. The students can make these presentations in a novel and creative manner, and they will be assessed by a panel consist of academic and the military staff. The best syndicate group will be awarded a trophy at the general convocation of the university.



# Annual Events of the Department

## *Field Visits*

Under the three identified core subjects (Geography, Economics and Management) of the degree programme, the Department of Social Sciences annually organizes three field visits for its students. These field visits are arranged during the first academic year of the degree programme to enhance their theoretical knowledge and gain practical experiences of these core subjects.



## *Case Study Tour*

Case study tour is a three-day study tour organized during the second year of the degree programme with the aim of giving real-world experiences for conducting social researches. Every year, the department select a specific social issue of an area where students can integrate their theoretical and empirical knowledge related to their



subjects studied at KDU. In the past, such study tours were successfully organized to Kalpitiya, Mannar, Maha Oya, Haputale, Dambulla and Narammala.



### ***Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Project***

CSR Project is conducted by the second-year students of the department parallel to their annual case study tour. For this project, the students select an under-developed school or unprivileged community of a remote area who struggle for their survival amidst numerous challenges and donate necessary items for a number of individuals of a selected group.



## ***Career Guidance Workshop***

The Career guidance workshop is organized by the Department of Social Sciences for the Day-scholars of the faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities for guiding them in preparation towards their industrial training/internship programme which is carried out during the second semester of their third year of the degree programme. At this workshop, the students are educated on CV writing, facing interviews and other related matters on industrial training/internship programmes.



## ***Career Fair***

Career fair is organized by the Faculty of Management, Social Sciences and Humanities for supporting the Day-scholars to find worthwhile internship placements and providing an opportunity for students from previous intakes to find permanent employment in some of the leading companies of the country. The representatives of several top ranked private company's participate to this event and give the opportunity for students to meet them for obtaining information regarding their prospective internships.



## Important Annual Events of the University

### *General Convocation*

This is the most special day of the academic life of students as after years of their hard work and dedication they receive their degrees. General convocation of KDU is held at the end of the year at BMICH in the presence of Chancellor, Vice chancellor, invited chief guest and other guests, academic and non-academic staff of the university and the parents/relatives of the students. All the PhD degrees, Masters' degrees, Postgraduate diplomas and Bachelor's degrees which are coming from all the streams of the university are conferred at this convocation.



### *International Research Conference*

The International Research Conference (IRC) of KDU is held at the university premises in August or September of every year. The aim of this conference is to provide an international forum for researchers and professionals to exchange opinions and share latest findings across a broad range of disciplines. The conference seeks to foster networking and



collaborations within and between academia and industry at the national and international levels and be a catalyst to encourage the innovation and the creativity of enthusiastic young researchers. The students of KDU are also given the opportunity to participate and disseminate their valuable research findings among a national and international research community at this conference.



### ***University Open Day***

The open day is organized by the university to provide information to potential candidates who expect to begin their higher studies at KDU. The university is open for the general public from 0900 to 1700 hours of this day to obtain necessary information about the degree programmes, facilities and other activities of the university. One of the special things of the open day is that, all the necessary information is provided by the students who are presently studying at the KDU.



## *Sports Meet*

The annual sports meet of the university is organized for all the military and civilian undergraduates divided among six Squadrons named Gemunu, Gajaba, Perakum, Vijayaba, Mahasen and Walagamba to compete in several different tracks and field events. The main purpose of this sports meet is for maintaining physical fitness and disciplines among officer cadets and day-scholars. The winners of this sports meet are given the opportunity to participate in national and international sports competitions as well.



## *Parents' Day*

Parents' Day is held for the first-year students of the university to present their inherent skills and abilities to their parents. Students are trained for different entertainment items by identifying their own intrinsic skills and interests to perform on this Parents' Day. This is a colourful day for the students as it is filled with a variety of joyful events such as singing, dancing, gymnastic, drill and traditional martial arts performances.



# Academic Calendar - 2020

## Intake 37

<b>01<sup>st</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(23 Weeks)</b> <b>(10.02.2020 – 19.07.2020)</b>		
Study Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 17 weeks</li> <li>• 78 working days</li> </ul>	Commencement of Orientation Programme	05 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
	End of Orientation Programme	07 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
	Commencement of Semester	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
	New Year Vacation (11 Days)	09 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
	End of Semester	12 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
Study Leave	Study Leave (09 Days)	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 – 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2020
Examination	End Semester Examination (20 working days)	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2020 – 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2020
<b>02<sup>nd</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(22 Weeks)</b> <b>(20.07.2020 – 18.12.2020)</b>		
Study Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 weeks</li> <li>• 71 working days</li> </ul>	Commencement of Semester	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020
	Mid Year Vacation (16 Days)	08 <sup>th</sup> August 2020 – 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2020
	End of Semester	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2020
Study Leave	Study Leave (09 Days)	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 – 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020
Examination	End Semester Examination (20 working days)	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020 – 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020
Vacation	Vacation (17 Days)	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 – 03 <sup>rd</sup> January 2021

# Academic Calendar - 2020

## Intake 36

<b>03<sup>rd</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(23 Weeks)</b> <b>(01.01.2020 – 07.06.2020)</b>		
Study Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16 weeks</li> <li>• 70 working days</li> </ul>	Commencement of Semester	01 <sup>st</sup> January 2020
	New Year Vacation (11 Days)	09 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
	End of Semester	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
Study Leave	Study Leave (09 Days)	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – 03 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020
Examination	End Semester Examination (21 working days)	04 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 – 07 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
<b>01<sup>st</sup> MID SEMESTER</b> <b>(06 Weeks)</b> <b>(08.06.2020 – 17.07.2020)</b>		
Study Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 06 weeks</li> <li>• 30 working days</li> </ul>	Commencement of Semester	08 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
	End of Semester	17 <sup>th</sup> July 2020
<b>04<sup>th</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(24 Weeks)</b> <b>(20.07.2020 – 31.12.2020)</b>		
Study Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 weeks</li> <li>• 71 working days</li> </ul>	Commencement of Semester	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020
	Mid Year Vacation (16 Days)	08 <sup>th</sup> August 2020 – 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2020
	End of Semester	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2020
Study Leave	Study Leave (09 Days)	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 – 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020
Examination	End Semester Examination (20 working days)	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020 – 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020
Vacation	Vacation (17 Days)	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 – 03 <sup>rd</sup> January 2021



# Academic Calendar – 2020

## Intake 36

<b>05<sup>th</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(23 Weeks)</b> <b>(01.01.2020 – 07.06.2020)</b>		
Study Period • 16 weeks • 70 working days	Commencement of Semester	01 <sup>st</sup> January 2020
	New Year Vacation (11 Days)	09 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
	End of Semester	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
Study Leave	Study Leave (09 Days)	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 – 03 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020
Examination	End Semester Examination (21 working days)	04 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 – 07 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
<b>02<sup>nd</sup> MID SEMESTER</b> <b>(04 Weeks)</b> <b>(08.06.2020 – 30.06.2020)</b>		
Study Period • 04 weeks • 17 working days	Commencement of Semester	08 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
	End of Semester	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
<b>06<sup>th</sup> SEMESTER</b> <b>(26 Weeks)</b> <b>(01.07.2020 – 31.12.2020)</b>		
Industrial Training	Commencement of Industrial Training	01 <sup>st</sup> July 2020
	End of Industrial Training	31 <sup>st</sup> December 2020

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