

TOOLKIT

*Designing and managing international relations,
educational projects and mobility schemes in Asian
Universities*

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**UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA
SRI LANKA**





UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA FACTS and FIGURES

- LOCATED IN THE WESTERN PROVINCE OF SRI LANKA 11 KM FROM THE COMMERCIAL CAPITAL COLOMBO
- HAS ITS ORIGIN IN THE HISTORIC VIDYALANKARA PIRIVENA, FOUNDED IN 1875 AS A ONE OF THE HIGHLY REPUTED TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTES COMMITTED TO MONASTIC EDUCATION
- THE MODERN UNIVERSITY WAS FOUNDED IN 1959
- 7 FACULTIES, 55 DEPARTMENTS , 3 INSTITUTES
- COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES, COMPUTING AND TECHNOLOGY, HUMANITIES, MEDICINE, SCIENCE, SOCIAL SCIENCES, GRADUATE STUDIES

UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA FACTS and FIGURES

- DEGREE PROGRAMS
 - 56 Bachelor
 - 35 Master of Arts/Master of Science
 - All the departments offer PhD and MPhil by research
- ENROLLED STUDENTS
 - INTERNAL: 11,380
 - DISTANCE MODE 95,907
 - POSTGRADUATE 8000
- 650 FACULTY MEMBERS ON PERMANENT CADRE

INTERNATIONAL PROFILE: FACTS & FIGURES

- Number of International MoU - 95
- Top 3 international collaborations
 - Chongquin Normal University, China staff student exchange through Hanban China, Confucius Institute
 - Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, Staff student exchange, research collaboration
 - Shinshu University, Japan, Staff student exchange, research collaboration
- Average number of incoming exchange/visiting students : 50 Chinese, German, Japanese
- Average number of incoming exchange/visiting professors: 20 from Germany, Poland, USA

INTERNATIONAL PROFILE: FACTS & FIGURES

- Average number of outgoing exchange students: 125
China, France, Germany
- Average number of outgoing exchange professors: 20
China, India, Poland
- Number of International Educational projects:
- Hanban, China
- Japan Foundation
- Korea Foundation
- Korea International Cooperation Agency
- Japan Silver Volunteer Organisation
- Erasmus Mundus and Erasmus+ Projects

INTERNATIONAL PROFILE: FACTS & FIGURES

Erasmus Projects funded by the European Commission

- Erasmus Mundus IMPAKT Project 2014-2019

Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility (ICM) Projects currently active

- Merging Voices Project with a consortium of 4 Portuguese Universities
- Masaryk University Czech Republic
- Szczecin University Poland
- Akdeniz University Antalya, Turkey
- Tallinn University Estonia
- Pozega Polytechnic Croatia

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTORS

- VICE CHANCELLOR – LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE AND OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY
- DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR – SUPPORTING THE VICE CHANCELLOR
- DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS – RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL COOPERATION AND OPERATION
- CHAIRMAN RESEARCH COUNCIL
- DEANS
- REGISTRAR
- BURSAR
- HEADS OF DEPARTMENT
- DIRECTORS OF RESEARCH CENTRES OF EACH FACULTY
- COORDINATOR, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
- COORDINATOR, INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AFFAIRS

INTERNATIONALIZATION: GOALS AND PRIORITIES

THE VISION of University of Kelaniya is to be one of the most sought after international destination with numerous global partnerships for excellence in the creation and dissemination of knowledge.

THE MISSION of the university is to broad base creativity, innovation and contribute to national development through international academic exchange including students and staff, international research collaborations, international resources and facilities sharing and international networking and alumni

INTERNATIONALIZATION: GOALS AND PRIORITIES

- Visiting Professorship (incoming) funded by the university since 2016
- Facility for International Credit Transfer for incoming and outgoing students since 2015
- Establishment of Research Council in 2014 to encourage, recognise and promote outstanding research
- Establishment of Centre for International Affairs in 2011
- Establishment of Confucius Institute in 2006
- Partnering with overseas universities
- Partnering with international organisations and agencies since 90s – Japan Foundation, Korea Foundation, Korea International Cooperation Agency, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) & Goethe Institut, Germany for educational projects, staff and student scholarship grants, visiting professorships
- Funding for academic staff for doctoral studies, conference participation

INTERNATIONALIZATION: GOALS AND PRIORITIES

- Reaching Higher international ranking E.g. THE Ranking
- Increasing partnerships with overseas universities for research collaboration, incoming and outgoing staff, student mobility and more training opportunities for administrative staff
- Increasing number of international students for postgraduate studies and research

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTIVITIES AND TOOLS

- The Centre for International Affairs manages mobility schemes and international projects
- The Centre comprises two Divisions
International Cooperation, International Student Affairs
- National, regional, international programs used to fund the exchange of students and professors
- Visiting Professor scheme funded by the university
- National Science Foundation
- Erasmus Mundus and Erasmus+
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- Confucius Institute
- Monbukogakusho Scholarships funded by the Government of Japan
- Korea Foundation

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTIVITIES AND TOOLS

What national, regional, international programs your institution is using to fund the international projects

- National Science Foundation
- Korea International Cooperation Agency
- Korea Foundation
- Erasmus Mundus and Erasmus+
- Confucius Institute

INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION: CHALLENGES

2/3 main obstacles to the development/improvement of the international dimension

CHALLENGES IN

- Negotiating and approving MOUs due to the recently introduced procedure by the Ministry of Higher Education
- Appointing permanent employees to the Centre for International Affairs
- Visa issues for student mobility to Europe when no diplomatic mission is available in the country

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Visiting delegates**
- **Agreements**
- **Workshops**
- **Awareness sessions**
- **Cultural exchange**

















Cultural Exchange



















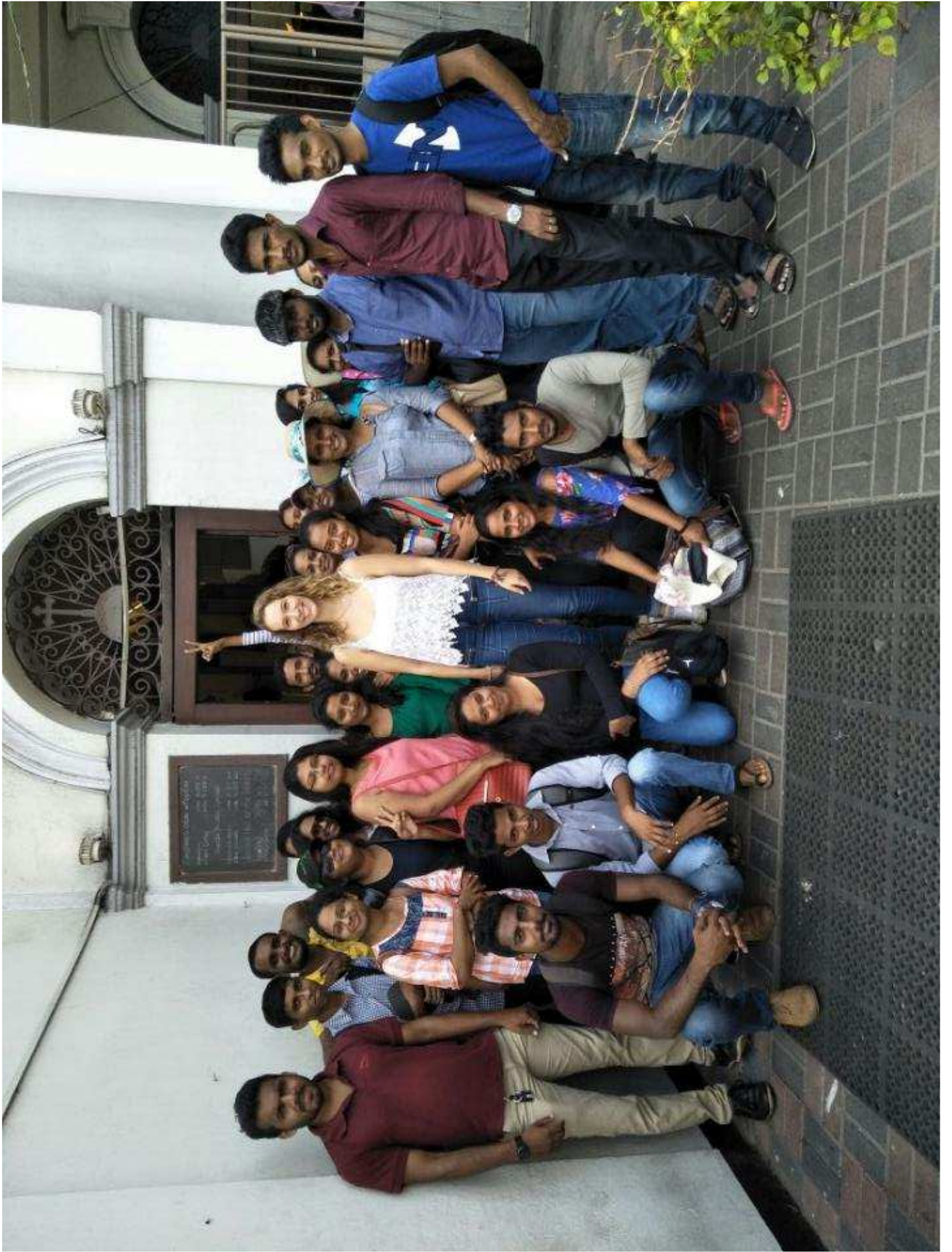




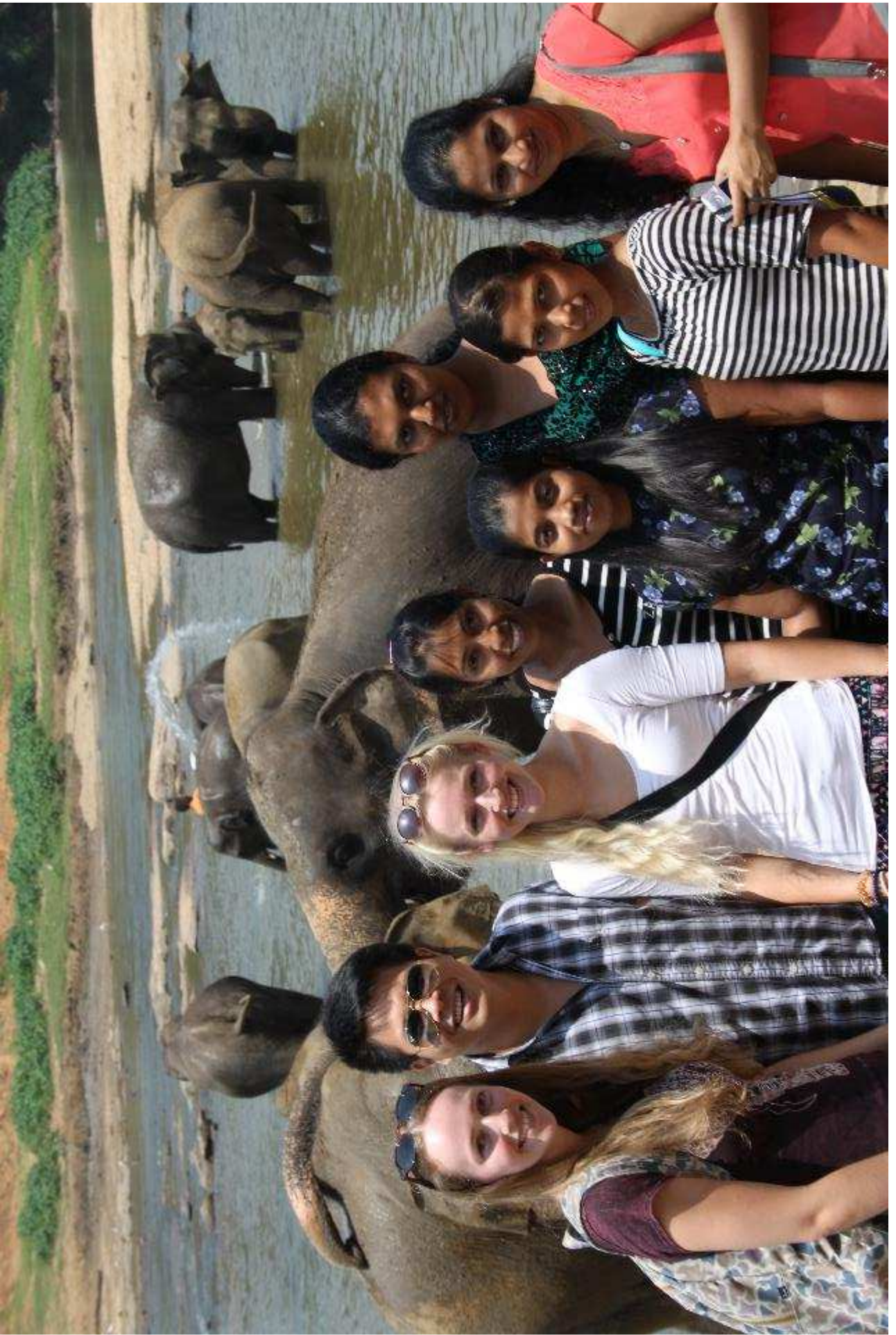


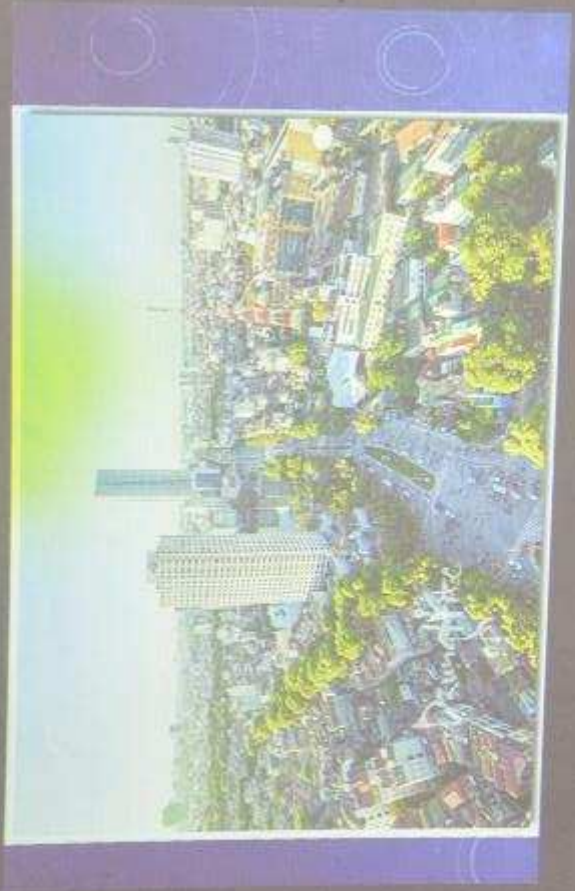




























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