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University of Peradeniya



University of Peradeniya in a Nutshell

- Located in Peradniya, Kandy, Sri Lanka
- Established in 1942 under the banner of University of Ceylon
- <u>Renamed as University of Peradeniya in 1978</u>
- Largest, residential University in the Country
- 9-Faculties, 79-Departments, 3-PG institutes, 11 Service Centres/ Units
- About 13000 UG-fulltime, 12,000- ODL (Part time) & 8500 PG students
- About 900 Faculty members

In 2017	Bachelors	Masters	PhD's	ODL
Degree Prog.	20 Major Disc.	69	23	2 Degrees, 2 Diplomas
Graduation	2495	840	40	1026

University of Peradeniya Faculties

- Faculty of Agriculture
- Faculty of Allied Health Sciences
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Dental Sciences
- Faculty of Engineering
- Faculty of Management
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine & Animal Science

University of Peradeniya Postgraduate Institutes

- Postgraduate Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences -(2011)
- Postgraduate Institute of Science -(1996)
- Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture (1975- 1st PG institute in the country)



University of Peradeniya Key Centers and Units

- Centre for Distance & Continuing Education
- Information Technology Centre
- International Affairs Office
- Staff Development Centre
- Agriculture Biotechnology Centre
- Centre for study of Human Rights
- Sri Lanka Japan Study Center
- Centre for Research in Oral Cancer
- Centre for Environmental Studies
- Career Guidance Unit
- English Language Teaching unit
- University Business Linkage New
- Multidisciplinary National Innovation Centre (MuNIC) New

University of Peradeniya Degree Programmes Offered

- 1. BSc. in Agricultural Technology and Management
- 2. BSc. in Food Science and Technology
- 3. BSc. in Animal Science and Fisheries
- 4. Bachelor of Science
- 5. Bachelor of Science in Statistics and Operation Research
- 6. Bachelor of Science in Computation and Management
- 7. BSc. in Medical Laboratory Science
- 8. BSc. in Nursing

- 9. BSc. in Pharmacy
- **10. BSc. in Physiotherapy**
- 11.BSc. in Radiology
- **12.BSc. in Radiotherapy**
- **13.Bachelor of Dental Surgery**
- 14.Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
- **15.Bachelor of Veterinary Sciences**
- **16.BSc. in Engineering**
- **17. Bachelor of Business Administration**
- **18. Bachelor of Commerce**
- 19. Bachelor of Laws
- 20. Bachelor of Arts
- 21. Bachelor of Data Science (new)₈
- 22. Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences(new)

Collaborations between UoP and International Partners



- There are 74 MoUs in operation at present
- UoP has signed 37 MoUs between UoP and Asian Universities



INTERNATIONAL PROFILE: FACTS & FIGURES



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• Top 3 international collaborations: Japan, China & USA International Exchanges

Student Exchange		Staff Exchange		
Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing	
Japan	EU	EU	EU	
China	Japan	China	Japan	
Nepal	China	Japan	USA	



Achievements

- Exchange of academics, administrative staff, & students, educational material & produce joint publications
- Develop joint research/degree programmes
- Organizing international symposia, seminars and conferences
- Financial assistance
- Undergraduate/ Postgraduate training

Collaboration UoP - China

- Luoyang Normal University
- Yunnan University of Nationalities
- Yunnan Minzu University, Kunming
- Honghe University
- University of Chinese Academy of Sciences
- Huaqiao University
- Sichuan University
- Chengdu Normal University





Partnerships with Japanese Universities/Institutes

- 1. Utsunomiya University
- 2. Tokyo University of Agriculture 16.
- 3. Yamaguchi University
- 4. Osaka Prefecture University
- 5. Niigata University
- 6. Tsurumi University
- 7. Saitama University
- 8. United Nations University
- Tokyo University of Agriculture & Technology
- 10. Research & Development Centre, Nippon Koei Co. Ltd
- 11. Yamagata University
- 12. Kyushu University
- 13. Shimane University
- 14. Shizuoka University

- 15. Fukuoka Women's University
 - Kyoto University
- 17. Miyazaki University
- 18. Hokkaido University
- 19. Global Engineering Department Nihon Studio Consultants Co. Ltd.

Partnerships with other Foreign Countries

- 1. Ghent University, Belgium
- 2. Cornell University, United States
- 3. SAARC Agriculture Centre, Bangladesh
- 4. Jeju National University, Rep of Korea
- Universitat fur Bodenkulyur Wien, Austria
- 6. North South University, Bangladesh
- 7. Georg-August University Gottingen, Germany

- 8. Dhammachai International Research Centre, Australia & New Zealand
- 9. Tribhuvan University, Nepal
- 10. Slippery Rock University, United States
- 11. Dongguk University, Korea
- 12. Transilvania University of Brasov
- 13. South Asian University, India

Partnerships cont.

- 14. University of Oulu, Finland
- 15. University of Calgory, Canada
- 16. Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
- 17. Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Norway
- 18. University of New Castle, Australia
- 19. Ministry of Education, Royal Government of Bhutan
- 20. Thammasat University, Thailand

- 21. Texas Tech University, United States
- 22. Michigan State University, United States
- 23. Institute of Tropical Medicine, Belgium
- 24. Premium Serums & Vaccines Pvt Ltd, India
- 25. Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
- 26. Sankyunkwan University, Korea

Partnerships cont.

- 27. Institute of Business Management, Pakistan
- 28. IDRC International Development Centre, Canada
- 29. Queensland University of Technology, Australia
- 30. Institute of Technology, Cambodia
- 31. Freie Universitat Berlin, Germany
- 32. Riga Technical University, Latvia
- 33. Middle East Technical University, Turkey
- 34. University of Brescia, Italy
- 35. University of California Davis, United States

- 36. Keimyung University, Korea
- 37. University of Wollongong, Australia
- Lahore University of Management Studies, Pakistan
- 39. University of Connecticut, United States
- 40. University of Turku, Finland
- 41. Massey University, New Zealand

INTERNATIONAL PROFILE

Major Erasmus+ Activities

Main CBHE Projects (Ongoing 2018)	Main ICM Projects (2012-2018)	
CaBRET	Spain	
Water Harmony	Norway/Greece	
ToolKit	Czech Republic	
INNOTal	Romania	
Data Science	Turkey	
	Norway	

Other International Educational projects

- National Institute of Health (NIH) Grants
- World Bank Funded Projects (e.g. AHEAD Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development)
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) Projects
- WaSo Asia (NORAD)
- SATREPS (JICA)
- IDRC & CapNet-(UNDP @ PGIA)
- World Food Programme (WFP) Projects
- India Sri Lanka Foundation (student and staff exchange)

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTORS

1.Vice Chancellor

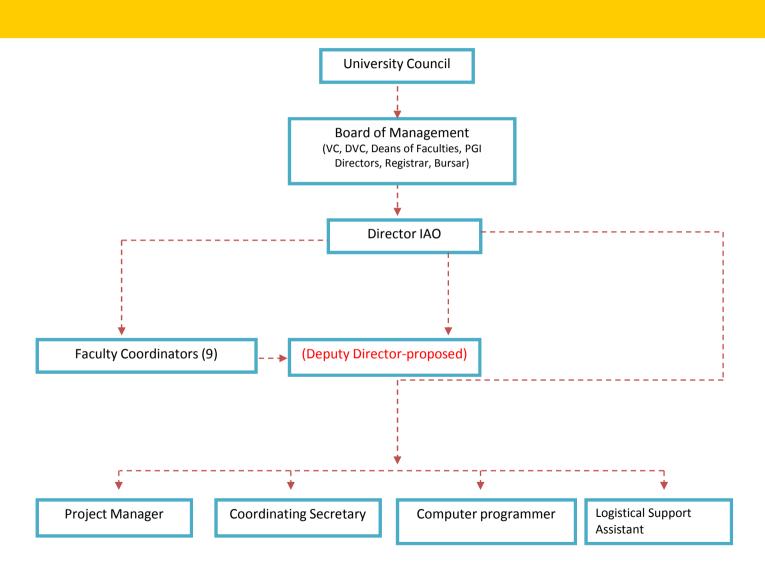
• Legal Representative, CEO and the main actor in the university

2.International Affairs Office (IAO)

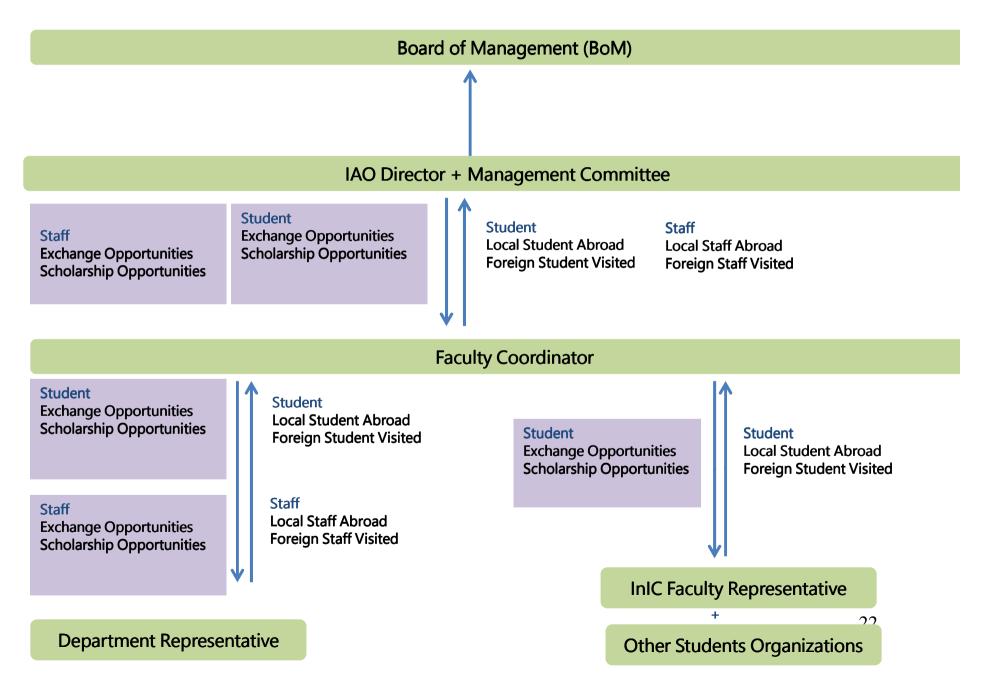
• Develop and sustain comprehensive, effective internationalization programmes that are academic, research and administration based to increase global engagement for students, faculty and staff.



Organization Structure of IAO



International Activity Update



INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTORS

Functions of the International Affairs Office

- International research collaborations
- Initiating MoU and Partnerships
- Student/ Staff exchange programs
- Foreign undergraduates/postgraduates students
- Consultancies for international partners
- Communications with Postgraduate and undergraduate foreign universities
- Exchange of academics, administrative staff, & students, educational material & produce joint publications
- Develop joint research/degree programmes
- Organize international symposia, seminars and conferences
- Financial assistance for international activities of the University

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTORS

- In addition, groups or individual faculty members also initiate their own collaborative research and other projects at Faculty, Center and PG institutes level
- Ie. Agriculture Education Unit offer summer courses to undergraduates from USA, Australia, Austria & Japan
- Therefore, individual Faculty members, Heads of Departments, Deans, PG Directors and Centre Directors are also involved in the internationalization process

INTERNATIONALIZATION: GOALS AND PRIORITIES

 Main priority in development/enhancement of its international dimension

Promote collaborative research, offer short-term training, increase international exposure using academic relations and networks

• Actions already taken to achieve this priority goal

Organizing international workshops & conferences

Offer short-term training

 According to your institution profile, identify 3 other development goals that are achievable and based on your strengths or respond to a critical need

1.Increase intake of foreign students

- 2. Increase international visiting staff
- 3. Establishing a credit transfer policy and joint degree programmes

INTERNATIONALIZATION: ACTIVITIES AND TOOLS

- What services are in place to manage mobility schemes and international projects?
- IAO is the main Facilitator in managing ICM and International projects
- Facilitation provided (Visa, Accommodation, Library, Sports etc.)
- What National, regional, international programs your institution is using to fund the exchange of students and professors?
- EU projects, World Bank, UGC/Ministry of HE scholarship, JSPS, JST, Fulbright, DAAD, Grants (AHEAD, HETC, etc.)
- What National, regional, international programs your institution is using to fund the international projects
- Internationally: EU projects, JICA, World Bank, UN, etc.
- Locally: NSF, CARP, Ministry funds, etc.

INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION: CHALLENGES

- 1. Negotiating and approving MOUs
- Government regulation changers /time-consuming procedures
- 2. Engaging professors and students in mobility schemes
- Quality in-campus accommodation for international students,
- In-campus shopping and good quality dining
- Language issues with some incoming academics
- Difficulties in offering cross faculty courses
- Limited funding sources/scholarships for promotion

3. Funding grants

- Hardly any grants available from local funding sources
- Faculty members have a negative attitude towrds application of grants due to difficulties they have to face in finnacial management
- Present Financial Regulations are too cumbersome and Impractical, sometimes incompatible with granting bodies

