

MASTER OF ARTS IN PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Opportunity to Complete the Degree – Grace Period and Repeat Examinations

The Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS), University of Ruhuna, is pleased to inform all students who were enrolled in the Master of Arts in Peace and Development Studies program (By-Law No. MsRHSS 01-2016) that the University Senate has approved a special concession to provide a final opportunity to complete the degree requirements.

This decision was made recognizing that several students of the HS-2015, HS-2016, HS-2017, and HS-2020 intakes were unable to complete their studies within the stipulated maximum duration due to the absence of repeat examinations after 2020. Accordingly, the following provisions are offered:

1. Grant of a One-Year Grace Period

All students of the MA in Peace and Development Studies (HS-2015 to HS-2020 intakes) who have not yet completed the degree are granted a one-year grace period from the date of this notice to fulfill all remaining academic requirements. During this period, students will be allowed to:

1. Sit for repeat examinations of the required course modules;
2. Complete any pending coursework or research components necessary for graduation.

2. Special Repeat Examinations

Special repeat examinations will be conducted for the following course modules to facilitate completion:

PDS6131,	PDS6132,	PDS6133,	PDS6134,	PDS6135
PDS6231,	PDS6232,	PDS6233,	PDS6234,	PDS6235
PDS6331,	PDS6332,	PDS6333,	PDS6334,	PDS6335
PDS10131,	PDS10132,	PDS10133,	PDS10134,	PDS10135
PDS10231,	PDS10232,	PDS10233,	PDS10234,	PDS 10235

The detailed examination timetable, fee schedule for repeat examinations, and the application procedure will be notified separately by the Faculty Office. Students are strongly advised to make use of this final opportunity to complete the program within the stipulated grace period.

3. Important Notes

1. This is the final opportunity granted to complete or exit from the program under the previous By-Law.
2. The grace period will not be extended further under any circumstances.
3. Students are encouraged to contact the Assistant Registrar, Faculty of Graduate Studies, for clarifications regarding eligibility, repeat examination registration, or exit options.

All eligible students are kindly requested to make the best use of this opportunity to complete their postgraduate qualification successfully.

If you are interested in obtaining this opportunity, please fill out the attached application form and send it to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, No. 115, Sri Dharmarama Mawatha, Ginigasmulla, Fort, Matara, on or before 30.01.2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be the initials 'P' and 'M'.

Deputy Registrar
Faculty of Graduate Studies
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01.01.2026