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Dear Sir/Madam,

Warm Greetings from the Bandaranaike Centre for International Studies (BCIS)!

I wish to seek your kind assistance in encouraging officers of your esteemed institution to apply for the Certificate, Diploma, Higher Diploma and Postgraduate Diploma programmes in International Relations offered by the BCIS. An e-flyer containing details of the programmes is attached for your reference.

The BCIS is committed to building strong partnerships with institutions across Sri Lanka to equip professionals with the knowledge and skills required to understand and respond to contemporary global affairs. Our International Relations programmes foster critical thinking, analytical skills and a deeper understanding of international issues through instruction by distinguished academics and experienced practitioners, including members of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service.

We are also pleased to inform you that all our International Relations programmes are now offered in **hybrid mode**, enabling participants to attend lectures either physically at BCIS or online, subject to the applicable course guidelines. This initiative has been introduced to improve accessibility and convenience for professionals across the country.

We sincerely appreciate the support extended by your institution to BCIS over the years, particularly in nominating officers to participate in our International Relations programmes. We hope you will continue this valued collaboration by encouraging suitable officers to apply for the forthcoming intake.

Applications are now open for the **September 2026 Intake** of the Certificate, Diploma, Higher Diploma and Postgraduate Diploma programmes in International Relations. The closing date for applications is **22 August 2026**. Should you require any further information, please contact Ms. Mahesha Pathirana, Senior Education Learning Officer (Grade II), on 071 797 0271 or via email at poir@bcis.edu.lk.

We look forward to your continued support in promoting these programmes among officers of the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

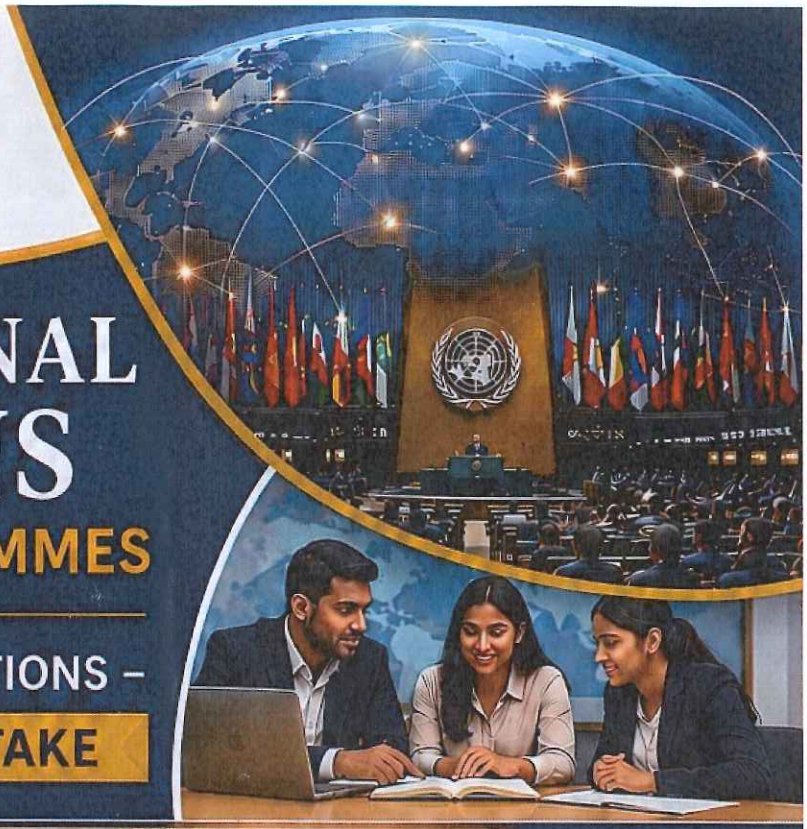
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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS –

SEPTEMBER 2026 INTAKE

CHOOSE YOUR PATH. SHAPE GLOBAL TOMORROW.

1 CERTIFICATE COURSE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DURATION
4 Months

COURSE FEE
Rs. 56,375

2 DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DURATION
1 Year

COURSE FEE
Rs. 87,125

3 HIGHER DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DURATION
1 Year

COURSE FEE
Rs. 133,250

4 POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DURATION
1 Year

COURSE FEE
Rs. 158,875

MODE OF DELIVERY
Hybrid Mode

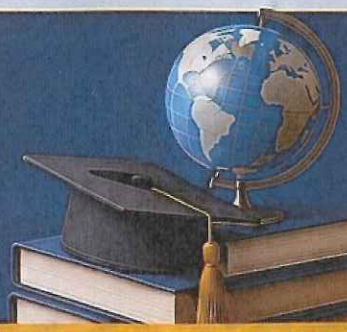
APPLICATION DEADLINE
22 AUGUST 2026

INTAKE
September 2026

APPLY NOW!

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SCAN TO APPLY ONLINE



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Applications are now invited for the courses in International Relations.

Name of the course	Prerequisites	Medium of study	Course Duration	Course fees (Excluding Examination Fees)	Conducting Dates
Post Graduate Diploma in International Relations	*A Degree from a UGC recognized University OR * A professional qualification equivalent to a degree acceptable to the BCIS OR * Eight (08) years of prior work experience after GCE (Advanced Level) OR *Any other qualification / experience as determined by the BCIS. *Members of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service or those attached to foreign Embassies or International Organisations in Sri Lanka are encouraged to apply.* *Professionals: Attorneys-at-Law with a minimum 3 years of post-qualifying experience and members of recognized professional institutions may also apply.*	English	12 months	**LKR 158,875** (Inclusive of Registration fee of LKR 2000 + Library Membership fee of LKR 3000 + SSCL 2.5% Tax) <u>Three Instalments</u> ▪ 1st Instalment 52,000/= ▪ 2nd Instalment 52,000/= ▪ 3rd Instalment 51,800/=	**Saturdays** - 08.45am to 06.00pm
Higher Diploma in International Relations	* Completion of First Year of an Undergraduate Course of Study OR	English	12 months	**LKR 133,250** (Inclusive of Registration fee of LKR 2000 + Library Membership fee of	**Saturdays** - 08.45am to 06.00pm

	*A Diploma from a recognised institution OR * Five (05) years of prior work experience after GCE (Advanced Level) OR *Evidence of equivalent work experience, training or prior learning which may be considered by the BCIS.			LKR 3000 + SSCL 2.5% Tax) <u>Three Instalments</u> ▪ 1st Instalment 44,175/= ▪ 2nd Instalment 43,000/= ▪ 3rd Instalment 43,000/=	
Diploma in International Relations	*General Certificate of Education (Advanced level) or an equivalent qualification OR *A foundation course equivalent to an Advanced Certificate OR * Three (03) years of prior work experience after GCE (Ordinary Level) with six passes OR *Any other equivalent qualification acceptable to the BCIS.	English	12 months	**LKR 87,125** (Inclusive of Registration fee of LKR 2000 + Library Membership fee of LKR 3000 + SSCL 2.5% Tax) <u>Two Instalments</u> ▪ 1st Instalment 42,025/= ▪ 2nd Instalment 42,025/=	**Fridays & Wednesdays** - 03.00pm to 07.30pm
Diploma in International Relations	*General Certificate of Education (Advanced level) or an equivalent qualification OR *A foundation course equivalent to an Advanced Certificate OR	English	12 months	**LKR 87,125** (Inclusive of Registration fee of LKR 2000 + Library Membership fee of LKR 3000 + SSCL 2.5% Tax)	**Sundays** – 08.00am to 05.00pm

	* Three (03) years of prior work experience after GCE (Ordinary Level) with six passes OR *Any other equivalent qualification acceptable to the BCIS.			Two Instalments ▪ 1st Instalment 42,025/= ▪ 2nd Instalment 42,025/=	
Certificate course in International Relations	*Completion of junior secondary level (Grade 9 or an equivalent) OR *Completion of primary education and certified work experience of at least two (02) years AND *Be at least 16 years of age *Those who have work experience in the field of media/ journalism, NGOs, and anyone who is interested in obtaining a basic understanding of IR may apply*	English	04 months	**LKR 56,375** (Inclusive of Registration fee of LKR 2000 + Library Membership fee of LKR 3000 + SSCL 2.5% Tax) Two Instalments ▪ 1st Instalment 26,650/= ▪ 2nd Instalment 26,650/=	**Tuesdays & Thursdays** - 03.00pm to 05.00pm

Notes:

. Two intakes per year in March and September

. Courses are conducted on Part-Time Basis.

. Courses are offered on **Hybrid mode (On-site and Online).** Applicants who join On-site cannot change to Online mode mid-way into the course.

. Course fees currently allocated for each programme are subsidized rates.

. Students who have completed the Certificate course in International Relations at the BCIS with a Grade Point Average (GPA) higher than 2.99 can apply for the Diploma in International Relations. Students who have completed the Diploma in International Relations with a Grade Point Average (GPA) higher than 2.99 can apply for the Higher Diploma Programme.

How to Apply

- Download and print the application from BCIS website (www.bcis.edu.lk) or collect from the BCIS Information Desk.
- Completed applications to be submitted along with certified (from a JP or Lawyer) copies of the following documents:
  - ✓ Certificate of Birth
  - ✓ National Identity Card
  - ✓ Educational Qualifications
  - ✓ Professional Qualifications
  - ✓ Service certificates (only if applicable) &
  - ✓ One (01) passport-sized colour photograph

*Originals should also be produced during registration.

***Please note that you cannot register for the course if you do not have all of the above documents.**

- The full course fee/first installment of the course fee should be paid at registration. The registration fee is non-refundable. Cheques should be drawn in favour of **SWRD Memorial Foundation Fund (BCIS)**.

Registration Fees

- If a student registers for an IR programme and then within a year wants to register for another IR programme, he/she must pay the Registration Fee a second time.
- If a student registers for an IR programme and also wants to register for a Language programme, he/she would have to pay two Registration Fees.

Transferring from one course to another

- Once a student registers for an IR programme and then changes their decision and wants to transfer to a Language programme, it cannot be allowed. The relevant Refund Policy would apply.
- Transfers may be done within the IR programme, within a year of registration, in keeping with their qualifications.

BCIS Office Hours:	Tuesday to Friday	- 09.00 a.m. – 04.00 p.m
	Saturday	- 08.30 a.m. – 04.00 p.m
Office Hours (Accounts Division):	**Tuesday to Friday**	**- 09.00 a.m. – 04.00 p.m**
	Saturday	**- 08.30 a.m. – 04.00 p.m**

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