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Celebrating Dedication and Excellence: Meritorious Service Awards Ceremony 2023

In a heartwarming celebration of commitment and dedication, the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL) honored its esteemed staff members who have surpassed 25 years of service with a grand ceremony of recognition.

The event, held on Thursday, the 5th of October, 2023, in the Nalliah Auditorium with grandeur and enthusiasm, showcased the university's deep appreciation for the tireless efforts of its long-serving staff members. To mark this milestone, the honorees were presented with prestigious plaques, medals, cash awards, and certificates as tokens of gratitude for their unwavering service to the institution. Adding to the jubilant atmosphere, retired staff members were also felicitated during the ceremony, acknowledging their invaluable contributions over the years.

The occasion commenced with a captivating welcome dance performed by the talented students of Swami Vipulanandha Institute of Aesthetic Studies (SVIAS), setting the stage for an evening filled with elegance and cultural richness. The audience was treated with mesmerizing performances, including fusion dances and musical showcases, skillfully presented by the students and staff of SVIAS, captivating the hearts of all attendees.

Notably, the ceremony also honored outstanding researchers with the Vice Chancellor's Awards for Output-based Research studies, recognizing their significant contributions to academia and the university's advancement.

Addressing the gathering, Vice Chancellor Prof. V. Kanagasingam emphasized the importance of dedication and commitment in elevating the university to greater heights, inspiring all present to continue striving for excellence.

The event concluded on a note of gratitude, with Deputy Registrar Mr. V. Navirathan extending a heartiest vote of thanks to all participants and supporters.

A comprehensive list of awardees and felicitated retired staff can be viewed on page 09 under the title 'Awards'. The Meritorious Service Awards Ceremony stands as a testament to EUSL's commitment to honoring excellence, inspiring generations, and fostering a culture of dedication within its academic community.



Celebrating 42 Years of Excellence: Eastern University, Sri Lanka's Week-long Anniversary Extravaganza



In a grand tribute to its rich history and remarkable journey, Eastern University, Sri Lanka marked its 42nd anniversary with a spectacular week-long celebration, honoring its roots as the Batticaloa University College. From the 1st to the 7th of October, 2023, the university buzzed with excitement as a plethora of events and activities unfolded in a magnificent fashion.



The festivities commenced with a series of multi-religious observances orchestrated by the Social Reconciliation Centre, EUSL, setting a tone of harmony and unity. The Center for Industry and Community Linkage (CICL), EUSL, spearheaded an enlightening awareness program for the Savukkadi community with the support of Rotary Club of Batticaloa on the inaugural day, setting the stage for an engaging week ahead. On the second day, the Centre for Multidisciplinary Research (CMR) planned to have programs on the theme of Science Diplomacy as a Powerful Force for National Unity and Friendship among Nations, and an awareness program was organized at the District Secretariat, Batticaloa, on 'Heart Attack and how to overcome its severe consequences,' conducted by the Resource Professional Dr. R. Rajavarman, Lecturer in Anatomy, and facilitated by Dr. (Mrs.) Mythere Thayaparan, the Senior Lecturer in Anatomy. Almost 150 participants were present.



As the week progressed, the campus came alive with spirited community programs, friendly football and cricket matches organized by the Centre for Multidisciplinary Research (CMR) and the Physical Education Unit, EUSL. A highlight of the celebrations was the bustling Open Day, drawing crowds of school students, the public, and enthusiastic onlookers keen to explore the university's offerings. Concurrently, SVIAS and the Faculty of Commerce & Management hosted engaging Research Symposiums, while the Faculty of Science celebrated its dedicated Faculty Day.

Continuing the momentum, the Annual Research Session of the Faculty of Science and an Inter-School Quiz Competition by the Faculty of Commerce & Management captivated participants and spectators alike on the fourth day. The fifth day shone a spotlight on the university's devoted long-serving and retired staff, as they were honored and felicitated at the prestigious Meritorious Service Awarding Ceremony.



Celebrating 42 Years of Excellence



On the penultimate day, CMR, EUSL, organized yet another engaging program, further enriching the celebratory atmosphere. Culminating the week-long extravaganza was the much-anticipated Annual Convocation, filling the final day with a sense of accomplishment and pride.

The week of celebrations provided a splendid opportunity for all stakeholders to witness the university's vast reservoir of knowledge and expertise, reaffirming its commitment to excellence and community engagement.



Eastern University, Sri Lanka Hosts Spectacular 27th General Convocation

The 27th General Convocation of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, unfolded over two remarkable days, October 7th and 8th, 2023, marking a pivotal moment in the academic journey of countless graduates. Under the meticulous coordination of Vice Chancellor Prof. V. Kanagasingam and the guiding hand of Chancellor Prof. M. Selvarajah, the event stood as a beacon of academic excellence and achievement.

Day two of this grand affair witnessed the illustrious presence of Dr. Harsha Aturupane, the World Bank Lead Economist, and Programme Leader for Human Development for Sri Lanka and Maldives, South Asia who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Dr. Aturupane's insightful address urged graduates and post-graduates to invest their intellectual prowess towards the advancement of the nation—a sentiment that resonated deeply with all in attendance.

The processions, led by the Chancellor, faculty members, and awardees of degrees, was a vibrant spectacle, enhanced by the traditional melodies of the Fine Arts and the Swami Vipulanandha Institute of Aesthetic Studies' Band Troop and the Nathaswaram & Miruthangam troop.

A total of 1,760 degrees were conferred during the convocation, symbolizing years of dedication and hard work. Among these, 860 degrees were awarded on the first day, with an additional 900 degrees bestowed on the second day. These degrees comprised of Doctorates, Masters, Basic, and External Degrees, showcasing the diverse academic landscape fostered by Eastern University.

Throughout the event, the university premises radiated with an aura of admiration, as proud parents, relatives, friends, and university staff came together to celebrate the accomplishments of the new graduates. The convocation served not only as a testament to academic excellence but also as a testament to the collective spirit of growth and progress that defines the Eastern University community.



AWARDS**Eastern University, Sri Lanka makes historic leap with first-ever Patent!**

In a groundbreaking moment for academia in Sri Lanka, Eastern University celebrates a significant milestone with its inaugural patent achievement. Dr. M. Koneswaran, Senior Lecturer in Chemistry at Eastern University, has successfully filed an international patent for his innovative creation: a "pH stabilizing composition for corrosion protection in concrete and method of preparation thereof."

This patent marks a pivotal moment not only for Dr. Koneswaran but also for Eastern University itself, as it proudly claims its place in the realm of intellectual property and innovation. The patented invention, a novel cement admixture, holds the promise of revolutionizing concrete construction by enhancing its durability and longevity.

Dr. Koneswaran's invention addresses a critical need in the construction industry by offering a solution to corrosion-related issues in concrete structures. By stabilizing the pH levels, the patented composition effectively safeguards against corrosion, thereby extending the lifespan of concrete infrastructure.

This milestone underscores Eastern University's commitment to fostering cutting-edge research and nurturing a culture of innovation among its faculty and students. With this patent, Eastern University propels itself onto the global stage, signaling its emergence as a hub of groundbreaking research and technological advancement.

As Eastern University celebrates this historic achievement, the broader community eagerly anticipates the far-reaching implications of Dr. Koneswaran's invention, poised to shape the future of concrete construction worldwide.

**President's Awards for Scientific Research 2023**

The General Relativity Research Group of the Eastern University Sri Lanka received President's Awards for Scientific Research - 2023 (i.e., for the years 2019 & 2020 publications) at a ceremony organized by the National Research Council on November 21, 2023, at the Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exposition Centre, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo 07.

The Awards were given for the best 100 papers published in prestigious journals in each year (2019 and 2020) where a significant contribution had been made by scientists working in Sri Lanka. The General Relativity Research Group received awards for three outstanding publications listed below, including a publication emanating from Ms. Nasheeha's PhD thesis:



AWARDS

President's Awards for Scientific....

- I. **Ragel, F.C., Thirukkanesh, S.** General relativistic model for mixed fluid sphere with equation of state. Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 306 (2019)
- II. **Thirukkanesh, S.,** Kaisavelu, A. & Govender, M. A comparative study of the linear and color-flavor-locked equation of states for compact objects. Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 214 (2020).
- III. **Nasheeha, R.N., Thirukkanesh, S. & Ragel, F.C.** Anisotropic generalization of isotropic models via hypergeometric equation. Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 6 (2020).

The awards received by the General Relativity Research Group on November 21, 2023, are summarized below:

Prof. S. Thirukkanesh - Three awards (one for the year 2019, two for 2020)



Prof. F C Ragel - Two Awards (one each for the year 2019 & 2020)



Ms. R. N. Nasheeha (PhD student) - One award for the year 2020



It is noted that this is the first PhD student registered at EUSL to receive a President's Award.

Professor S. Thirukkanesh has won the President's Awards TEN times, which is the highest among the EUSL academics, and Professor F.C. Ragel has won the award SEVEN times.

AWARDS



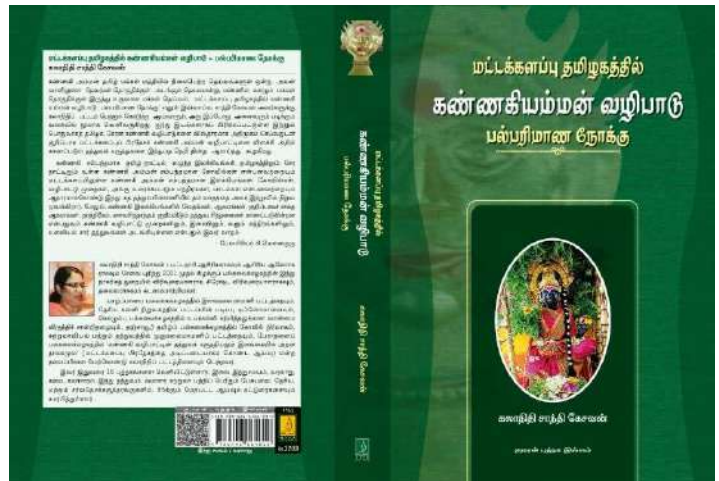
Mr. S. Chandrakumar
Senior Lecturer in Fine Arts

1. Mr. S. Chandrakumar - “**Young Artist Award 2023**” for artistic and creative work. Awarded by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Eastern Province, Sri Lanka in 2023.
2. Mr. S. Chandrakumar - “**Best Book Award 2023**” for Dramatic of Realist: Analyze and Literature. Awarded by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Eastern Province, Sri Lanka in 2023.
3. Mr. S. Chandrakumar - “**Best President Region 02 Award**” on Excellence Regional Award for Performance of the Campus Lions Club period 2022/2023. Awarded by the Lions Club International District 306C2 Sri Lanka in Colombo in 2023.



Dr. S. Kesavan
Senior Lecturer in Hindu Civilization

Dr. S. Kesavan – “**Best Research Award**”. Awarded by the Department of Cultural Affairs, Eastern Province, in 2022 for the book in Tamil titled ‘**மட்டக்களப்புத் தமிழகத்தில் கண்ணகியம்மன் வழிபாடு – பல்பரிமாண நோக்கு**’ (Kannaki Cult in Batticaloa Tamil Country – Multidimensional Perspective)



MERITORIOUS AWARDS

ACADEMIC, ADMINISTRATIVE, ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND NON-ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS
(Award List as at 30th September, 2024)

Staff Members completed 40 Years of Services
WALL PLAGUE

No.	Full Name	Designation
1	Mrs. Jayanthi Ramaneeswaran	Senior Staff Management Assistant
2	Mr. Muniyandy Mahendran	Health Service Labourer (Special Grade I)
3	Dr. Meerasahibu Mohamed Mahusoon	Senior Lecturer Gr I

MERITORIOUS AWARDS.....**Staff Members completed 30 Years of Services****SILVER MEDAL**

No.	Full Name	Designation
1	Mrs. Sarasamalar Mohan	Senior Staff Management Assistant
2	Mrs. Ratnakumari Ravichandran	Technical Officer Gr. I
3	Mr. Kanthapody Thevarajah	Management Assistant Gr. I
4	Mrs. Krishnakumary Ravi	Senior Staff Management Assistant
5	Mr. Thambirajah Sritharan	Staff Technical Officer Gr. I
6	Mr. Alagakone Paskaran	Staff Technical Officer Gr. I
7	Mrs. Kalu Hennadige Anusha Priyangani	Senior Staff Management Assistant
8	Dr. Subramaniam Sathananathan	Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Botany

Staff Members completed 25 Years of Services**BRONZE MEDAL**

No.	Full Name	Designation
1	Mrs. Shanthrakumar Kumuthinidevi	Senior Lecturer Gr I
2	Mr.Thangavel Shritharan	Senior Staff Management Assistant (Shroff)
3	Mr. Sinnathamby Sivakaran	Security Inspector Gr. I
4	Dr. Panchadcharam Elango	Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Mathematics
5	Prof. Flavian Chalmus Ragel	Professor of Physics
6	Mrs. Victoria Rosana Ragel	Senior Lecturer Gr. I
7	Mr. Retnam Uthayakumar	Senior Lecturer Gr. I
8	Mr. Sinnathamby Thayanithy	Laboratory Attendant (Special Grade)
9	Prof. Thayamini H Seran	Professor in Crop Science
10	Mrs. Parameswary Vijithan	Senior Staff Management Assistant
11	Mr Nagarajah Mahendrarajan	Security Guard - Supra Grade
12	Mr Subramaniam Jeevarasa	Health Service Labourer Special Gr. I
13	Mr Shanmugam Vajeeharan	Driver (Special Grade)
14	Mr. Arumugam Manivannan	Management Assistant Gr. I
15	Mr. Rasiah Sureshwaran	Works Aide (Special Grade)
16	Mr. Sivalingam Yogarasa	Works Aide Gr.I

MERITORIOUS AWARDS.....

Retired Staff Members

No	Full Name	Designation
1	Mr. Muthupillai Krishnan	Office Aide
2	Mr. Nallathamby Thangavadivel	Laboratory Attendant (Special Grade)
3	Mr. Arumugam Sathiyananthan	Works Aide Gr. II
4	Mr. Swamipillai Nesarajah	Works Aide Gr. I
5	Mrs. Rohini Antony Puvanasingam	Director/ Physical Education
6	Mr. Mylvaganam Perinpanathan	Security Guard (Supra Grade)
7	Mr. Veluppillai Sellathamby Krishnapillai	Staff Technical Officer Gr. I
8	Mr. Vinayagamoorthy Rajaparathy	Management Assistant Gr. II
9	Mr. Thambirajah Sritharan	Senior Staff Technical Officer
10	Mr. Subramaniam Somaskesan	Driver (Special Grade)
11	Mrs. Ummu Haleema Anas	Senior Staff Management Assistant
12	Mr. Thangaroopan Baskaran	Senior Assistant Registrar
13	Mrs. Sugirthavathani David	Senior Staff Management Assistant
14	Mr. Rasiah Jeevan	Caretaker (Higher Grade)
15	Mr. Puvanasingam Samuel Jeyasingam	Senior Instructor in English

FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE

Faculty Hosts Talk on Evolution of Tamil Alphabets

The Faculty of Arts and Culture organized an enlightening talk session titled "The Alphabets in Tamil evolved from the Icons and images of the Indus River Valley an ancient civilization" on October 11, 2023, at the Faculty Auditorium. Mr. S. Theenathayalan (Sollaakiyan) delivered a captivating discourse on the subject.

The session commenced with the traditional lighting of the oil lamp, followed by a warm Welcome Address by Mrs. T. Sathyajith, Senior Lecturer in Fine Arts. Led by the Dean of the Faculty, Dr. V. Gunapalasingam, the event featured a citation for the Resource Speaker Mr. Theenathayalan, delivered by Dr. T. Megarasah, Lecturer of Tamil Studies. Concluding the event, Mr. V. Pragash, Assistant Registrar of the Faculty, extended the Vote of Thanks, marking the session's successful culmination.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE.....

Eastern University, Sri Lanka Hosts Academic Speech Series in Collaboration with Thanjavur Tamil University, India

The Department of Tamil Studies at the Faculty of Arts and Culture, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, in collaboration with Thanjavur Tamil University, India, organized an academic speech series on November 1, 2023, at the Nalliah Auditorium, Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

The event aimed to strengthen academic relations between the two universities and commenced with a meeting between the Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka and the Dean of Vazhar Tamil Field, Thanjavur Tamil University, along with other delegates from Thanjavur Tamil University.



During the preliminary meeting, the Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Prof. Vallipuram Kanagasingam, discussed matters regarding the university and explored the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the two institutions.

Dr. V. Gunapalasingham, the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Culture, presided over the event and delivered the inaugural speech. The lecture series focused on "Tamil Sri Lankan Art and Cultural Traditions" and featured talks by various scholars.

Prof. S. Santhirasegaram, Head of the Department of Tamil Studies, Eastern University, commenced the series with a talk. Dr. S. Thiyagarajan, registrar of the Thanjavur Tamil University, welcomed attendees, while Dr. R. Kurinchivendan, Dean of the Vazhar Tamil field at Thanjavur Tamil University, delivered the introductory speech followed by lectures from Dr. P. Ilaiyapalai, Dr. R. Inthu, Dr. C. Veeramani, Prof. R. Venkatesan, Dr. Seeman Ilayaraja, and Mr. K. Sivashankar on various topics related to Tamil culture and literature.

Dr. T. Meharasah, a lecturer in the Department of Tamil Studies, concluded the event with a vote of gratitude. The speech series was attended by a significant number of professors, heads of departments, academics, and students from Eastern University, Sri Lanka.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE.....

Exploring Intellectual Vistas: Faculty of Arts and Culture Hosts the Fifth Annual Research Session

The Fifth Annual Research Session on “Equality, Equity, and Social Justice through Education in Pluralistic Societies” was organized by the Faculty of Arts and Culture, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, on November 21, 2023, at Nalliah Auditorium, under the guidance of Dean Dr. V. Gunapalasingam. The event was graced by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Vallipuram Kanagasasingam, as the chief guest.

Prof. N. Selvakumaran, a distinguished academic and former Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Colombo, delivered the keynote address, enriching the session with insights on the core theme.



The Session Coordinator, Mr. S. Chandrakumar, Senior Lecturer in Fine Arts, and the Session Secretary, Mrs. Florida Simeon, Lecturer in Social Sciences, along with the able steering committee members, fulfilled their roles perfectly.

The program, divided into two sessions under twelve tracks, featured a total of 51 research papers presented by local and foreign researchers. The event provided a platform for rigorous academic discourse and collaboration, reaffirming the university's commitment to scholarly excellence.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE.....

Empowering Voices: "Vanmurairasa" A Street Play to Raise Awareness

Mr. S. Chandrakumar Senior Lecturer in Fine Arts scripted and directed a street play titled "Vanmurairasa." This drama was performed by the students and staff of the Department of Fine Arts, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, at Karuna Playground, Kiran, as part of the 16-day Activism program for women against violence on December 9, 2023. The program was organized by the Batticaloa District Aruvi Women's Network. The public, school students, villagers, and government officers enjoyed the program.

New IT Lab Enhances Skills at the Faculty

The University Grants Commission and the Ministry of Higher Education have decided to establish Information Technology labs in every Faculty of Arts & Humanities across Sri Lankan universities. In line with this initiative, the Faculty of Arts & Culture, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, has been granted permission to set up an IT Lab under the Grant of IT for Arts & Humanities in AHEAD Project.



The IT lab was established in the building of the Department of English Language Teaching (DELT) of the Faculty of Arts and Culture, under the AHEAD grant, on July 14, 2023. The Vice Chancellor, Prof. V. Kanagasingham, officially inaugurated the IT lab in the presence of the Dean, faculty members, non-academic staff, and students.

The opening ceremony, organized and presided over by Mr. P. Sachithanatham, the Head of the Department of Information Technology of the Faculty of Arts and Culture, marked a significant step towards enhancing IT skills among undergraduate students.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE.....

Empowering through Art: International Workshop on Street Theatre for Edutainment

An International Workshop on “Street Theatre for Edutainment” was organized by the Fine Arts Committee for Fine Arts Students of Government Arts and Science College for Women for two days on October 31st and November 1st, 2023, at Government Arts and Science College for Women, Attuvampatti, Kodaikanal, Tamil Nadu, India. Mr. S. Chandrakumar, Senior Lecturer in Fine Arts of EUSL, was the Resource Person for the workshop on Theater and the course on Drama.

FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT

Fostering Economic Leadership: Highlights from ARSFCM 2023 at the Eastern University, Sri Lanka

The Annual Research Session 2023 (ARSFCM 2023) of the Faculty of Commerce and Management, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, was successfully completed on October 3rd, 2023, under the theme of “Nurturing the Leaders for a Resilient Economy.” Prof. V. Kanagasingam, the Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, was the chief guest of the conference. The conference keynote speaker, Prof. Ravinder Rena, Professor of Economics in the Department of World Economy, Faculty of Economics, Saint Petersburg State University, St Petersburg, Russia, delivered the keynote address titled “How to Make Government Accountable, Empower the Poor, and Limit Elite Capture in Sri Lanka.”



Mrs. S. Maheswaranathan, Chair of ARSFCM 2023, welcomed all the participants to the conference. In total, 18 research papers were presented during the conference. Following the students’ research paper presentations, the Industrial Dialogue, one of the complementary parts of ARSFCM 2023, took place. Stakeholders from the industrial sector shared and discussed their success stories, views, and practices in business for community development.

The proceedings of ARSFCM 2023 were launched by Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka. Dr. E. A. C. Privankara, Secretary to ARSFCM 2023, delivered the vote of thanks.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT

Engaging Minds: Faculty of Commerce and Management hosts Inter-School Quiz Competition 2023

In a significant community outreach initiative, the Faculty of Commerce and Management, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, proudly hosted the Inter-School Quiz Competition 2023. This event, held on October 4th, 2023, at the eSmart Learning Centre, Faculty of Commerce and Management, marked a successful engagement with the wider Batticaloa District community, drawing participation from 24 local schools. Focused on a range of subjects such as Business, Accounting, Economics, and General Knowledge, the competition aimed to stimulate and challenge advanced-level commerce students, encouraging them to broaden their academic horizons.

Dr. (Mrs.) Jeyapraba Suresh, Head of the Department of Economics, played a pivotal role in coordinating this event, further enhancing the university's commitment to community outreach and education. The competition was graced by the presence of Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, serving as the Chief Guest, alongside Dr. S. Jeyarajah, Dean of the Faculty, and other distinguished academics. The event concluded with an awarding ceremony where the top-performing schools were honored with certificates, medals, and trophies. This initiative not only showcased the academic talents of the students but also reinforced Eastern University's dedication to fostering educational growth and community engagement within the Batticaloa District.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT

Celebrating Excellence: Highlights from the 12th Sri Lanka Economics Research Conference (SLERC)

The 12th Sri Lanka Economics Research Conference (SLERC), held on December 22, 2023, at the South Eastern University, Sri Lanka, marked a significant milestone, showcasing the faculty's dedication to economic research and academic discourse.

A focal point of the event was the awarding ceremony honoring Prof. Jeyaprabha Suresh, Head of the Department of Economics at the Faculty of Commerce and Management, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. Recognized for her outstanding leadership and contributions, particularly during her tenure as the Chairperson of the SLFUE 2023, Prof. Jeyaprabha Suresh received a medal for her dedicated service. Additionally, she distinguished herself by serving as the chair of a conference panel, exemplifying the expertise and leadership within the department. Moreover, several academics from the faculty enhanced the conference's intellectual vibrancy by presenting their research papers and showcasing their scholarly prowess.



Varsity Battles of the Brains – Inter University Quiz

The Faculty of Commerce and Management, in collaboration with the Colombo Stock Exchange/Security Exchange Commission, organized an Inter-University Quiz competition on October 20, 2023, among undergraduate students aimed at fostering financial knowledge in the Nallaiah Auditorium, EUSL.

The first level of the competition was organized among inter-faculty teams and coordinated by Ms. Sujenthini Yasagan. Each team consisted of four student members representing their respective State Universities. Fifteen teams from EUSL participated in the quiz competition. The Faculty of Commerce and Management secured the first place and received a cash prize of 75,000 rupees and certificates, while the Faculties of Healthcare Sciences and Agriculture secured second and third places, respectively.

All the participants received acknowledgment letters, and the audience was also motivated by gifts. The winning teams were invited to participate in Stage Two of the Inter-University competition, held on December 7, 2023, at the Royal Peacock



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT.....

Varsity Battles of the Brains – Inter University Quiz.....

Ballroom, The Grand Kandyan Hotel, Kandy. The students, who secured 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in the Faculties of Commerce & Management, Healthcare Sciences, and Agriculture respectively, named themselves "EASTERN WARRIORS" and gained valuable learning experiences by competing with 13 other state universities.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES

Book Launch: Peace Medicine - A Health Care Concern

The Department of Medical Education and Research, Faculty of Health Care Sciences, organized the book launching ceremony on December 30th, 2023. The event took place at the Faculty of Health Care Sciences. The book was authored by Prof. K.E. Karunakaran and Prof. T. Sathaananthan. The Vice-Chancellor of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Prof. V. Kanagasingam, graced the occasion as the chief guest, and Emeritus Professor T. Jayasingam was the special guest for the event. Members of the academic community from Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and several others participated in the book launch.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES.....

Collaborative Healthcare Initiative: FHCS, Eastern University, Sri Lanka Partners with Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Super Specialty Hospital

The Faculty of Health Care Sciences (FHCS) has established collaborations with the Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Super Specialty Hospital in Batticaloa. Academic staff from FHCS contribute to the services provided by Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Super Specialty Hospital in Batticaloa. Dr. G.R. Francis, Senior Lecturer in Medicine and Consultant Cardiologist, mainly involves himself with the services provided at the center. It is noteworthy that so far, 466 angiograms and 100 stents have been performed as part of the service.

Ceylon College of Physicians: Regional Academic Sessions in collaboration with Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The regional academic sessions of the Ceylon College of Physicians were held on December 21st, 2023, at the Auditorium of Batticaloa Teaching Hospital. The session was organized in collaboration with the Batticaloa Medical Association, the Faculty of Health Care Sciences, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and the Regional Director of Health Services, Batticaloa. Prof. K.T. Sundaresan, Dr. V.R. Francis, and Dr. R. Rajavarman from the Faculty of Health Care Sciences contributed as resource persons for the sessions.

 CEYLON COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS- REGIONAL ACADEMIC SESSION in collaboration with BATTICALOA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. FACULTY OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES, EASTERN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES, BATTICALOA 		
Thursday, 21st December 2023 Venue: Auditorium – Batticaloa Teaching Hospital  		
8.45 am	Welcome Address Opening Remarks	Dr S Branavan- President BMA Dr Duminda Munidasa- President , CCP
9.00 am	Optimising Patient Outcomes in Emergency Medicine Unit	Dr Rajavarman Consultant Emergency Physician (Actg) - THB
9.25am	Interventional Radiology - What it is & why it's important	Dr Suhumaran Yatheeskar Consultant Interventional Radiologist - THB
9.50am	Clinical Leadership (Interactive session)	Dr Neranjana Dissanayake Dr Chathurika Dandeniya Dr Sivapragasam Yathukulan Dr M Muzzammil Basith
10.30 am	Communication Skills (Interactive session) History Taking & Breaking Bad News	Dr Barana Millawithana Dr Dumitha Govindapala Dr Laxmina Pummiammoorthy Dr B. R. C. Malsha Basnayake
11.15am Tea		
Young Physicians' Forum		
11.30am	Platelet Indices – Potential Novel Bio-makers in Clinical Medicine	Dr R M Mihiri Seelarathana Senior Registrar-Internal Medicine -THB
12.00pm	Vaccine Preventable Diseases - why are we still seeing them?	Dr Vaidehi Rajeevan Francis Consultant Microbiologist Senior Lecturer Faculty of Health Care Sciences, EU SL
12.25 pm	Influenza Outbreak in Batticaloa 2023: What do we know?	Dr Dharshini K MO in Charge, Provincial Health Training Center – Eastern Province
12.50pm	Evaluation & Management of TIAs	Prof Udaya Ranawaka Professor in Neurology, University of Kelaniya
1.15pm	Managing Hypertension: What is new?	Prof Namal Wijesinghe Professor of Medicine, Kothalawala Defense University
1.40pm	Evidence Based Diet for Healthy Living	Prof K T Sunderasan Professor in Medicine Faculty of Health Care Sciences, EU SL
2.05pm	Concluding Remarks Vote of Thanks	Dr Chathurika Dandeniya-Joint Secretary CCP 2023 Dr S Livitan- Secretary BMA
2.15pm Lunch		

FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES.....

Faculty Gender Equity Office Opens with Counseling Service Launch

The Faculty of Health Care Sciences inaugurated its new office space for the Gender Equity and Equality (GEE) Cell on October 20, 2023, in the new faculty building, Rainwood Estate, Pillayarady. The Vice Chancellor Prof. V. Kanagasingham presided over the ceremony as the Chief Guest, symbolically cutting the ribbon to mark the official opening of the dedicated space. The event also marked the launch of a 24/7 counseling service, providing vital support to students and staff alike.

The inauguration ceremony witnessed the active involvement of the Deans from various faculties, Director/SVIAS, Registrar, Heads of Departments, and Faculty staff, underscoring the university's commitment to gender equality and mental health support.

The 24/7 Counseling Service, introduced alongside the GEE Cell, is a significant milestone in the faculty's commitment to the well-being of its community. Open to all students and staff, the service aims to provide a safe and confidential space for individuals facing personal, academic, or emotional challenges. The round-the-clock availability ensures that support is accessible whenever it is needed.



Community Reach Activities: Holistic Care Center, Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The Holistic Care Center, Faculty of Health Care Sciences, EUSL, has commenced its services. As part of its ongoing activities, various events have been arranged utilizing the academic staff of FHCS. Cancer awareness programs, medical camps, cardiac screening programs, cardiopulmonary resuscitation trainings, and first aid trainings are some of the significant services provided by the Holistic Care Center to students, EUSL staff, and the community.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF HEALTH CARE SCIENCES.....

Rain Wood Estate Day: Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The Faculty of Health Care Sciences marked its one-year celebration at Rain Wood Estate of the Pillaiyaradi Premises on September 5th, 2023. The event was organized by FHCS to commemorate one year since its relocation to permanent premises at Pillaiyaradi. The Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Prof. V. Kanagasingham, was the chief guest of the event.



Prof. T. Sathaananthan, Dean of the Faculty of Health Care Sciences, chaired the event. Members of the academic community from FHCS, EUSL, and other faculty members attended the occasion. Heads of the Departments at FHCS made presentations to showcase the progress of activities within the one-year period.



Tree Planting for Sustainable Future at Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The Faculty of Health Care Sciences organized a Tree Planting Event within the faculty premises in collaboration with the Green Layer Environmental Organization, Neervely, Jaffna, on December 30th, 2023. The Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Prof. V. Kanagasingham, was the chief guest, and Mr. K. Mahesan, Secretary of the Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs, was the guest of honor. Prof. T. Sathaananthan, Dean of the Faculty of Health Care Sciences, chaired the event. Mr. A. Pahirathan, (Registrar), Directors, Deans, Members of the Academic Community from Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and several others graced the occasion.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Annual Research Session - 2023, Faculty of Science, EUSL

The Faculty of Science hosted its Annual Research Session on "Transformation of Innovative Scientific Knowledge and Approaches to Overcome Challenges in the Community" on the 4th of October 2024, bringing together many research scholars and students to present their cutting-edge research outcomes and share ideas across various scientific disciplines.



The conference, presided over by Conference Chair Prof. A. G. Johnpillai and Conference Secretary Eng. T. Vinothraj, aimed to provide a platform for intellectual exchange and research collaboration. Senior Prof. P. Vinobaba, the Dean of the Faculty of Science, expressed enthusiasm for the event, emphasizing the importance of fostering a culture of innovation.

Prof. V. Kanagasingham, Vice-Chancellor of EUSL, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The keynote address, delivered by Prof. S. Sivananthan, Professor Emeritus of Physics and Director of the Microphysics Laboratory at the University of Illinois, Chicago, sparked interest in innovative scientific approaches, setting the tone for the conference.



The conference featured diverse tracks, including Biological Sciences, Physical Sciences (Physics and Chemistry), Mathematics, Computer Sciences, and ICT. Participants presented a total of 16 contributions, comprising four full papers and twelve extended abstracts, showcasing the breadth and depth of research undertaken within the Faculty of Science.

The Annual Research Session stands not only as a testament to the academic excellence at EUSL but also as an inspiration for the transformative power of scientific knowledge in overcoming challenges and driving positive change in the community.

Ansell Lanka Pvt Ltd Boosts Chemical Safety at Eastern University Sri Lanka

Ansell Lanka Pvt Ltd donated safety equipment worth over 1,200,000/= to the Department of Chemistry at Eastern University Sri Lanka, ensuring a safer environment for students and researchers.

Furthermore, the company conducted a workshop on "Chemical Handling and Safety" covering topics such as hazard identification, emergency response, and compliance with safety regulations to enhance awareness and practices in laboratory settings. This initiative underscores Ansell Lanka Pvt Ltd's commitment to safety and fostering industry-academic relations.



FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY

Faculty of Technology Explores Collaborative Opportunities Abroad

During the period of 06-10 December 2023, a dedicated team of Academic staff from the Faculty of Technology embarked on a journey to explore potential collaborations with leading universities in China. Their mission aimed at fostering partnerships for research and development, academic and student exchanges, and collaborative research publications.

Among the universities visited was the prestigious Shandong Zhong Wu Institute of Technology and Innovation, nestled within the esteemed Qilu University of Technology (Shandong Academy of Sciences) in China. This visit provided a unique opportunity for fruitful discussions and exploration of synergies between academic institutions.

Such initiatives are instrumental in fostering innovation, enhancing academic excellence, and nurturing global perspectives among students and faculty alike. As the Faculty of Technology continues to expand its global reach and forge meaningful partnerships, these collaborative endeavors promise to contribute significantly to the advancement of technology and academia on a global scale.

Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Technology Foster Collaboration at Yunnan University

In a significant stride towards international collaboration and academic diplomacy, the Vice-Chancellor Prof.V.Kanagasisingam and the Dean of Technology Prof. T. Mathiventhan embarked on a transformative journey to Yunnan University (Chenggong Campus) in Kunming, Yunnan Province, China. Their mission was to participate in the 3rd South and Southeast Asian University Presidents Forum, held from 14th to 16th December 2023.



This visit emphasized the commitment of both institutions to fostering meaningful partnerships that transcend borders and disciplines. By leveraging each other's expertise and resources, they aim to drive innovation, promote academic excellence, and nurture global citizenship among students and faculty.

As they return home, inspired by the spirit of collaboration and mutual understanding, the Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Technology carry with them the seeds of future partnerships that promise to enrich the academic landscape and propel the Eastern University, Sri Lanka towards greater heights of excellence.

Faculty of Technology Empowers Savukkady Community with Dairy Processing Workshop

In a bid to empower and uplift the local community, the Community Outreach Unit of the Faculty of Technology organized a transformative workshop on the Processing of Dairy-based Products for the Savukkady community, particularly targeting youngsters on the 22nd of November, 2023 aimed to equip participants with essential skills and knowledge in dairy-based processing, fostering entrepreneurship and economic empowerment.

Participants were guided through the process of producing dairy products such as yogurt and ice cream, imparting valuable skills that can be utilized for entrepreneurial ventures.contd.

FACULTY NEWS - FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY.....

Faculty of Technology Empowers Savukkady.....

Under the guidance of Mrs. M. R. Roshana, Lecturer (Prob), Mr. N. Tharminath, Temporary Assistant Lecturer, and a team of eight third-year second-semester students from the 2018/19 batch, theoretical explanations were complemented by practical demonstrations, ensuring an immersive learning experience for all attendees.

Question and answer sessions were thoughtfully facilitated to address queries and concerns raised by community members, further enriching the learning process and fostering a collaborative environment. Through initiatives like these, the Faculty of Technology demonstrates its commitment to community engagement and sustainable development



LIBRARY NETWORK

Generous Donation Enhances Legacy Collection at EUSL Main Library

Mr. Joseph Anton Nadarajah from USA, son of the Late Vidhwan F.X.C. Nadarajah, a Tamil Scholar, accompanied by his wife, made a memorable visit to the library to observe the extensive collection curated by his father.



During their visit, they were deeply impressed by the vast array of materials preserved in honor of Vidhwan F.X.C. Nadarajah's legacy. To further enhance this valuable collection, they graciously donated a wooden shelf to the Main Library, ensuring that future generations of scholars and enthusiasts can continue to benefit from his contributions.

The visit also provided an opportunity for fruitful discussions with the library professionals. Dr. W.J. Jeyaraj, the Librarian, along with Senior Assistant Librarians Mr. M.N. Ravikumar and Mrs. Gayathiri Navirathan, welcomed the visitors and engaged in enriching discussions about scholarly materials.

Library Network celebrates 42nd Anniversary of EUSL with Grand 'Library Quality Week'

Inauguration of 'Library Quality Week' and First-ever Library Newsletter Launch

To mark the 42nd Anniversary of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL) with a spectacular celebration, the Library Network of EUSL organized the 'Library Quality Week' from October 16th to 21st, 2023. The glorious week kicked off with an Inaugural Session chaired by the Librarian, Dr. W.J. Jeyaraj, and graced by the presence of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. V. Kanagasingam, as the Chief Guest. The session was brimming with insightful workshops and included an exposure visit to the South Eastern University of Sri Lanka.



In the Inaugural Session, Mrs. Lavanya Jegatheesparan, Senior Assistant Librarian, delivered the welcome address, followed by the presiding address by the Librarian himself. The Chief Guest, Vice Chancellor Prof. Kanagasingam, shared his thoughts on the occasion. A highlight of the Inaugural Session was the unveiling of the first-ever official Library Newsletter, expertly crafted under the Chief Editorship of Mr. M.N. Ravikumar, Senior Assistant Librarian, and assisted by Mrs. Lavanya Jegatheesparan. The digital version of the Newsletter was launched by Chief Guest Prof. Kanagasingam, and a brief overview of its purpose and future direction of the Newsletter was spelt out from the Chief Editor, Mr. Ravikumar.



Mr. V. Pragash, the Acting Assistant Registrar/Library Services, extended gratitude to all Guests, participants and supporters in his vote of thanks address. The event saw enthusiastic participation from Deans of the Faculties, Heads of Departments, Faculty Staff members, and students alike, setting the stage for a week filled with learning, collaboration, and celebration.



Library Network celebrates 42nd Anniversary of EUSL.....

Workshops on 'NVivo for Qualitative Data Analysis, Literature Reviewing'

Workshops on 'NVivo for Qualitative Data Analysis, Literature Reviewing', was successfully conducted for academics of EUSL on 17th October 2023 by Mr. S. Santharooban, Deputy Librarian, FHCS, EUSL.

Workshops on 'Useful Online Applications for Researchers'

Workshops on 'Useful Online Applications for Researchers' was successfully conducted for academics and researchers on 18th October 2023 by Mr. M.N. Ravikumar, Senior Assistant Librarian, Main Library, EUSL.

Workshops for Teacher Librarians

Additionally, a whole-day workshop aimed at enhancing School Teacher Librarians was held on October 19th at the Main Library, led by the Resource Professionals Dr. W.J. Jeyaraj, Librarian, Mr. S. Santharooban, Deputy Librarian and the Senior Assistant Librarians Mr. M.N. Ravikumar, Mrs. Gayathiri Navirathan, and Mrs. Lavanya Jegatheesparan.

Exposure Visit

On 21st of October 2023, Library Staff Members undertook an Exposure Visit to the Library, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka, capping off a series of programs with enriching outward experiences.

LIBRARY QUALITY WEEK 2023

Workshop on NVivo for Qualitative Data Analysis & Literature Review

17
TUE
October 2023
@ 10.00 AM

- Introduction to NVivo
- Qualitative Data Import
- Data Coding and Analysis
- Literature Review
- Introduction to other free tools for qualitative data analysis

Target Group: All Academic Staff, EUSL

Venue: E-Resources Unit, Main Library, EUSL

Resource Person: S. Santharooban
Senior Assistant Librarian Gr I
Faculty of Health-Care Sciences
Eastern University, Sri Lanka

Organized by
Library Network - Eastern University, Sri Lanka

Register here
on or before 15th Oct 2023

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LIBRARY QUALITY WEEK 2023

Workshop on Useful Online Applications for Researchers

18
WED
October 2023
@ 9.30 AM

- Useful E-Journal Databases
- Mendelky Reference Manager
- AI Tools for Research Writing
- Plagiarism Detection & Avoid Plagiarism

Target Group: Final year students | Researchers | Postgraduates of EUSL

Venue: E-Resources Unit, Main Library, EUSL

Resource Person: M.N. Ravikumar
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Eastern University, Sri Lanka

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Register here
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CENTRE FOR EXTERNAL DEGREES AND EXTENSION COURSES (CEDEC)

CEDEC Radiates Success: Diploma and Certificate Ceremony Celebrates Achievements

The certificate awarding ceremony for the programs of Diploma in Laboratory Technology and Certificate in Extramural Studies, offered by the Faculties of Science and Arts & Culture respectively, took place on the 28th of October, 2023, in the CEDEC Auditorium at EUSL.

The event commenced with the lighting of the traditional oil lamp. The Director of CEDEC warmly welcomed the attendees, setting the tone for the ceremony. Prof. Kanagasingam, serving as the Chief Guest, presented the certificates to the deserving awardees, marking their academic achievements. Mr. M.B. Fowzul, the Coordinator of Extramural Studies, expressed gratitude on behalf of the institution in his vote of thanks, acknowledging the hard work and dedication of the awardees and all those involved in organizing the event.

The ceremony not only highlighted the academic accomplishments of the awardees but also showcased the tremendous efforts of CEDEC in promoting education and professional development in the region.

Inaugural Ceremony Marks Commencement of Higher Diploma Program in Library and Information Science (HDLIS)

On November 18, 2023, a significant milestone was achieved by the Library Network of EUSL as the long-awaited introduction of Library & Information Science in the region commenced with the Inaugural Ceremony of the Higher Diploma program in Library and Information Science 2023/24, offered by the Faculty of Arts & Culture and facilitated by the Center for External Degrees and Extension Courses (CEDEC), unfolding in the CEDEC Mini Auditorium of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL).

The ceremony commenced with the lighting of the traditional oil lamp, symbolizing the beginning of a journey towards academic excellence. Mr. S. Santharooban, the Programme Coordinator and Deputy Librarian of EUSL, extended a warm welcome to the guests and attendees and provided insights into the program.



Dr. V. Gunapalasingam, the Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Culture, offering the program, delivered the inaugural address, emphasizing the significance of the new endeavor. Following this, Dr. W. J. Jeyaraj, the University Librarian, delivered a special address, highlighting the importance of library and information science in today's knowledge era.

The Chief Guest, Dr. T. Prabakaran, Deputy Vice Chancellor and Director of CEDEC, shared his thoughts and encouraged the students on their educational journey.

The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks by Mrs. A. Vasitharan, Assistant Registrar, expressing gratitude to all involved. Subsequently, the lecturers panel of the Library Network of EUSL conducted pre-awareness sessions on the study path and Learning Management System for the new students, setting the stage for a fruitful academic experience ahead.

CENTRE FOR MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH (CMR)

Research Grants Awarded for Community-Based Research

The Research grants for Community-based Research Activities were awarded through the Centre for Multidisciplinary Research on the 1st of December, 2023, recognizing the importance of community-focused research. The Senior Academic Professionals of the Faculty of Agriculture who received the above grant are Prof. (Mrs.) P. Premanantharajah, Dr. K. Prasananth, and Dr. M.S. Mohamed Nafees. Their enthusiasm in multidisciplinary research and commitment to addressing community needs exemplifies the spirit of academic excellence.



STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SDC)

Empowering Academic Administrative Leaders: Visionary Leadership Training at KDU

From November 2nd to 4th of November, 2023, the outbound sessions of the Training on Visionary Academic Administrative Leadership were successfully conducted at the Southern Campus of the General Sir John Kotelawela Defence University (KDU) situated in Sooriyawewa.

The sessions targeted academic staff aspiring to become prospective academic administrative leaders within the university system. Facilitated by the Southern Campus, KDU, the sessions aimed to equip participants with the necessary skills and insights required for effective leadership in academic administration.

The event served as a platform for networking and exchange of ideas among participants, fostering a conducive environment for growth and development in academic leadership.



Hands-On Training Enhances Laboratory Skills for Science and Technology Staff



On November 14, 2023, a hands-on training session that aimed to enhance practical skills and knowledge was conducted for laboratory staff members of the Faculties of Science and Technology in the Laboratory of the Department of Physics, Faculty of Science.

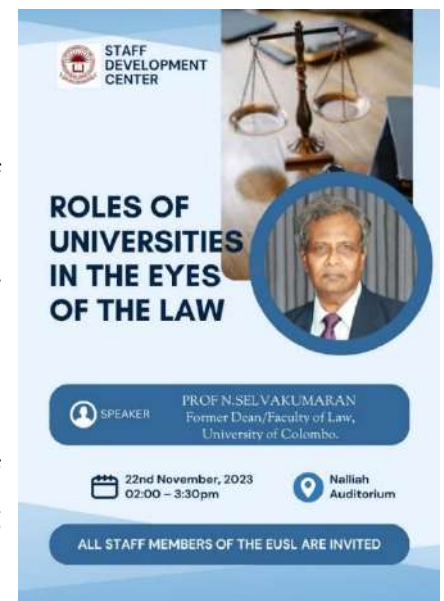
The training covered a range of topics relevant to laboratory operations and procedures, providing participants with valuable insights and practical experience. Through interactive sessions and demonstrations, staff members were equipped with the necessary skills to ensure efficient and effective laboratory management.

This initiative underscores the commitment of the faculties to continuously improve the quality of education and research facilities, ultimately benefiting students and faculty members alike.

Seminar on University Roles in Legal Perspective

In an effort to enhance the understanding of legal dimensions within the university environment, the Staff Development Center at the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL) organized a seminar titled "Roles of Universities in the Eyes of the Law" tailored for university staff members, on the 22nd of November, 2023, at the Nalliah Auditorium, EUSL.

Distinguished legal expert Prof. N. Selvakumaran, Former Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Colombo, served as the Resource Professional. With his wealth of experience and expertise, Prof. Selvakumaran illuminated the complex intersections between universities and legal frameworks, offering valuable insights into the roles, responsibilities, and legal obligations of academic institutions. Through engaging discussions and thought-provoking presentations, attendees gained valuable knowledge and perspectives essential for navigating the legal complexities inherent in academic institutions.



CARRIER GUIDANCE UNIT (CGU)

Empowering Future Technologists: Career Planning Seminar

The Career Guidance Unit at EUSL conducted a seminar on 'Career Planning and Goal Setting' specifically tailored for first-year first-semester students of the Faculty of Technology on November 18, 2023. Prof. Florence Bharathy Kennedy, the Director of Swami Vipulanandha Institute of Aesthetic Studies, EUSL, served as the Resource Person and provided invaluable guidance to the students on charting their career paths and setting achievable goals. The seminar aimed to empower students with essential career insights.



Nurturing Future Entrepreneurs: Entrepreneurship Seminar

The Career Guidance Unit of the Eastern University Sri Lanka (EUSL) organized an 'Entrepreneurship Development Programme' targeted for third-year students of the Faculty of Arts & Culture on October 21, 2023. Mr. S. Rajasingam, Development Officer at the Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Kalmunai, Mr. S. Kamalanathan, Enterprise Development Officer at Berendina Micro Investment Company LTD, and Mr. V. Manirajah, Career Guidance Counsellor at EUSL, served as Resource Persons. They guided the target audience on 'how to be a Successful Entrepreneur'.



EUSL Students Embark on Industry Insight Journey with Brandix Apparel Ltd

On November 8th, 2023, 3rd-year 1st-semester students from the Faculty of Commerce and Management of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, visited Brandix Essentials Ltd in Araiampathi. This exposure visit, in line with the Memorandum of Understanding between the university and Brandix Apparel Ltd, focused on observing the practical applications of Total Quality Management and Performance Appraisal Concepts.

Guided by the professionals of Brandix Essentials Ltd, including Mr. Mohamed Sha Hameed, Senior Manager - Human Resources, Mr. Kaleel Shameel, Assistant Manager - Human Resources, and Mr. Niroshan Fernando, Senior Executive – Quality Assurance, the students gained valuable insights during the visit.



Agriculture Faculty Equips Students with Employability Skills

On November 15th, 2023, the Career Guidance Unit hosted a seminar on 'Employability Skills' aimed at 2nd-year 2nd-semester students of the Faculty of Agriculture in the Faculty Seminar Hall. Eng. S. Mohanarajah, Retired Director General of Irrigation, shared valuable insights as the Resource Person, empowering students with essential knowledge for their future careers.



Commerce and Management Empowered with Entrepreneurship Workshop

On December 3rd, 2023, the Career Guidance Unit orchestrated a workshop tailored for 3rd-year 1st-semester students in the Faculty of Commerce and Management in the Nalliah Auditorium. The sessions aimed to enhance knowledge on 'Entrepreneurship Development Programme'. The workshop featured insights from esteemed Resource Persons: Mr. S. Rajasingam, Development Officer - Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Kalmunai, Mr. S. Kamalanathan, Enterprise Development Officer at Berendina Micro Investment Company LTD, and Mr. V. Manirajah, Career Guidance Counsellor at EUSL.



Faculty of Arts and Culture Enhances Personal Growth with Short Course

The Career Guidance Unit organized a two-day short course for 3rd-year 2nd-semester students in the Faculty of Arts and Culture. Held on December 9th & 10th, 2023, at the DELT Seminar Hall, the course aimed to foster knowledge on 'Personality Development'. Renowned Resource Persons, including Mr. Pio Jude Navinthan, Programme Manager, World Vision Lanka, Dr. Judy Ramesh Jeyakumar, Medical Officer – Psychiatry, Base Hospital, Valaichenai, and Rev. Fr. A.A. Navaretnam, Senior Lecturer in Christianity, EUSL, guided the students towards personal growth and self-improvement.



Career Guidance Unit Empowers Students with Interview Skills Workshops

On December 12th and 18th, 2023, the Career Guidance Unit hosted two seminars on the theme "How to Face an Interview" tailored for 3rd-year 2nd-semester students of the Faculty of Technology and 3rd-year 1st-semester students of the Faculty of Agriculture, respectively. These sessions, held in the Seminar Halls of the respective faculties, aimed to equip students with essential interview skills. Mr. Kaleel Shameel, Assistant Manager - Human Resources of Brandix Apparel Limited, served as the Resource Person for both workshops, providing invaluable insights to prepare students for the professional world.



CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (CENSARM)

Modern Techniques in Agribusiness and Agri-Entrepreneurship Development 2023

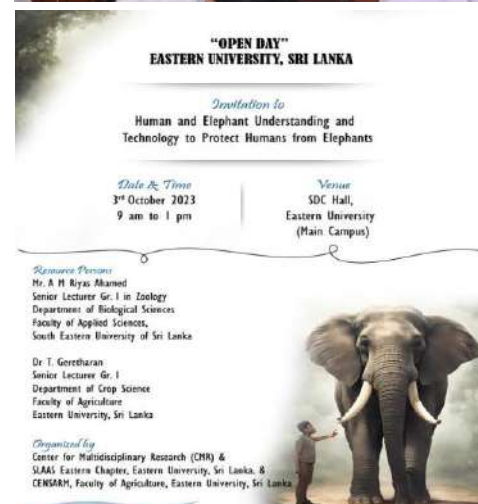
The Faculty of Agriculture in Palachcholai served as the backdrop for a comprehensive three-day training program conducted by CENSARM, Faculty of Agriculture, with the supervision of CENSARM Director Dr. T. Geretharan from the 21st to the 23rd of August, 2023. The event attracted 120 participants, comprising a diverse group including farmers, SMEs, Department of Agriculture officers, and university students. Focused on "Modern Techniques in Agribusiness and Agri-Entrepreneurship Development," the training program was a collaborative effort between CENSARM and partners like the World Food Programme and Senzmate Private Limited.



The engaging sessions were complemented by the generous provision of food and refreshments courtesy of WFP and Senzmate (Pvt) Ltd. The training initiative not only fostered knowledge exchange but also celebrated participants' dedication with the issuance of participation certificates, highlighting the commitment to advancing agricultural practices and entrepreneurship in the community.

The Open Day 2023

The insightful session that occurred on October 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the SDC Hall of Eastern University Lanka, provided a comprehensive exploration of the critical theme "Human and Elephant Understanding." The event specifically emphasized using technology to safeguard humans from potential elephant interactions. Renowned experts in their respective fields led the discourse, with Mr. A.M. Riyas Ahamed, Senior Lecturer Gr.1 in the Zoology Department of Biological Sciences within the Faculty of Applied Sciences at South Eastern University Lanka, and Dr. T. Geretharan, Senior Lecturer Gr.1 in the Department of Crop Science, Faculty of Agriculture, EUSL serving as distinguished resource persons. The event, which was thoughtfully organized by the Center for Multidisciplinary Research (CMR) and the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLAAS) Eastern Chapter, fell under the umbrella of the CENSARM Faculty of Agriculture. Participants experienced an engaging exploration of the complex dynamics between humans and elephants, along with discussions on technological solutions for fostering coexistence.



OSM Basic Training for Agriculture Instructors - 2023

The OSM Basic Training for Agriculture Instructors occurred on October 12, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The venue for this comprehensive training session was the ICT Lab within the Faculty of Arts and Culture at Eastern University, Sri Lanka. This initiative was made possible through the generous funding of the Booster Grant Project. The CENSARM, Faculty of Agriculture at Eastern University, Sri Lanka, meticulously organised the program. Participants experienced an enriching program, gaining valuable insights and skills that contributed to their effectiveness as agriculture instructors, ultimately benefiting the agricultural community in the region.



Celebration of World Food Day 2023

On October 16 2023, a vibrant celebration of World Food Day took place at the Faculty of Agriculture, organized by CENSARM, Faculty of Agriculture, marked by the enthusiastic participation of 50 individuals. World Vision Lanka funded the program. The event aimed to shed light on the crucial relationship between water and food, with the theme resonating as "Water is Life, Water is Food. Leave No One Behind." The occasion featured a thematic talk showcasing an array of innovative "Aaniver" agricultural products, including the display of millet-based items. The esteemed Chief Guest for the event was Prof. V. Kanagasingam, the Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, who brought insights and inspiration to the gathering. The event was further enriched by insightful speeches by Dr. Premakumar and Prof. M. Sugirtharan, emphasizing the importance of sustainable agricultural practices and ensuring that no one is left behind in the global pursuit of food security.



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION (IAD)

United States Ambassador Julie J. Chung Visits Eastern University, Sri Lanka

On Wednesday, the 15th of November, 2023, the Honorable Ambassador of the United States, Julie J. Chung, paid a visit to the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL). A fruitful discussion ensued between Ambassador Chung and the Vice Chancellor of EUSL Prof. V. Kanagasingam at the Board Room of the Vice Chancellor, EUSL.

The purpose of this meeting was to foster a constructive dialogue and to explore potential areas of collaboration and partnership between the Eastern University, Sri Lanka and the United States. The visit marks a significant step towards strengthening ties and enhancing mutual cooperation between US and EUSL.

TRINCOMALEE CAMPUS EUSL

Annual Research Conference -2023: Actualizing Aspirations for Integral Transformation

The Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University Sri Lanka, was abuzz with intellectual fervor as it played host to the highly anticipated Annual Research Conference – 2023 (ARC-2023) on the 12th of October 2023. This engaging event, held at the Mini-Auditorium, gathered professionals, experts, and researchers from diverse fields to delve into the theme of “Actualizing Aspirations – A Practice for Embracing an Integral Vision for Transformation,” aimed at addressing pivotal issues in realizing aspirations.



The conference commenced with a captivating welcome dance, setting the tone for a day filled with enlightenment and exploration. Notable figures graced the occasion, with the Rector of Trinco Campus and Chair of the Conference, Prof. (Mrs) Chandravathany G. Devathasan, delivering a warm welcome note. Adding prestige to the event, Prof. V. Kanagasingam, the Patron of the Conference and Vice Chancellor of EUSL, shared his insightful message. The distinguished Chief Guest, Senior Prof. Udith K. Jayasinghe Mudalige, Vice Chancellor of Wayamba University of Sri Lanka, delivered an inspiring address.



The esteemed speakers captivated the audience with their expertise, with Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor of the University of Vavuniya, delivering the Keynote Address on “Human resources Management Challenges in Higher Educational Institutions.” Further enriching the discourse, Mr. Arul James Edwin Thambu, Founder & Managing Director of Tamil Nadu Agrotourism, shared insights on ‘Eco-Village Community Development for Agrotourism.’ Guest speeches were delivered by the academic professionals including Prof. J. Kennedy, Professor in English, EUSL and Prof. K.T. Sundaresan, Professor in Medicine, EUSL, Prof. F.C. Ragel, Professor of Physics, EUSL, Snr. Prof. B. Nimalathasan, Senior Professor in Accounting, University of Jaffna, Dr. Ajmal Hinas from the South Eastern University of Sri Lanka, and Prof. S. Sutharsan, Professor in Crop Science, EUSL, adding depth to the discussions.

A total of 19 research papers were presented during the conference, providing invaluable insights and fostering engaging discussions. Participants actively participated in panel discussions and networking opportunities, further enhancing the collaborative spirit of the event. For those eager to delve deeper into the research presented, abstracts can be accessed on the Library Digital repository at <http://www.digital.lib.esn.ac.lk/handle/1234/15197> and at https://www.tc.esn.ac.lk/2023/10/23/trinco-2023/#flipbook-df_1301/23/. ARC-2023 proved to be a platform where knowledge was shared, ideas were exchanged, and aspirations were nurtured, marking it as a significant milestone in the academic calendar.

Unlocking Potential: Highlights from 'Skills Expo 2023' at Trincomalee Campus

The Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University Sri Lanka, witnessed a dynamic showcase of talent and expertise at the 'Skills Expo 2023', held on the 26th of October 2023. The expo, organized by the 2020/21 Batch of the Department of Business and Management Studies, Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, was tailored to cater to both undergraduates and academics, offering a unique opportunity to delve into business-related subject matters and acquire invaluable knowledge in various business skills.



Trincomalee Campus Reaches Out to Schools, Empowering Career Guidance

The Department of Business and Management Studies and Centre for Industry and Community Linkage at Trincomalee Campus organized a self-motivated workshop on 'Career Guidance,' tailored for Advanced Level students, particularly those in the Commerce stream, on the 22nd of November, 2022. A total of 122 students participated from 10 esteemed schools such as T/Methodist Girls College, T/Peruntheru Vigneswara Maha Vidyalayam, T/Nilaveli Kaileshwara College, T/Sri Shanmuga Hindu Ladies College, T/Selvanayagapuram Hindu Maha Vidyalayam, T/Sampalthivu Tamil Maha Vidyalayam, T/Zahira College, T/Vipulanada College, T/R.K.M.Sri Koneshwara Hindu College, and T/Orr's Hill Vivekananda College.



The workshop, aimed at providing invaluable insights to inspire career plans, goals, and aspirations, featured academic staff members of the Department of Business and Management Studies, Mrs. Anuja Raveenther, Senior Lecturer, and Mr. N. Thevanesh, Lecturer, as resource persons. Their expertise enriched the session, empowering



Unity of Disciples' presents Festum Lucis: A Joyous Christmas Celebration

The Christian association 'Unity of Disciples' illuminated the spirit of the season with Festum Lucis on December 12, 2023, at the Mini Auditorium, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. The event commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the oil lamp, accompanied by melodious carol renditions. Distinguished guests, including Rt. Rev. Fr. Dr. Christian Noel Emmanuel, Bishop of the Trincomalee Diocese, and Professor (Mrs) Chandravarthany G. Devadason, Rector of Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University Sri Lanka, graced the occasion. Their presence added splendor to the celebration, making it a seamless and successful event."



Exploring Ingenuity: Faculty of Applied Science Hosts Thrilling 'Robotic Competition'

The Department of Physical Science and Faculty Career Guidance Unit of the Faculty of Applied Science of Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, proudly initiated a Robotic Competition dedicated to Line Following Robots. The competition was held on November 29, 2023, at the Physics Laboratory of the Department of Physical Science.



The competition was conducted after a three-day workshop held from November 6-8, 2023 that promoted the basic knowledge, design and development of line following robots, and contributed to sparking interest among the second-year undergraduates of the Department of Physical Science. The competition aimed to cultivate the creativity and imagination of the participants. The event featured a diverse range of robotic challenges, from autonomous navigation tasks to intricate obstacle courses to test the participant's strategic thinking and technical prowess. During the competition, the arena was filled with staff and undergraduates of the Trincomalee Campus from various disciplines to witness the brilliance of automation and the spirit of innovation among the participants. The teams from second-year undergraduates (participants) showcased their robotic creations, each varying for supremacy in categories such as agility, precision, and overall performance.

The judges evaluated the robots based on various criteria including speed, accuracy, and ability to overcome obstacles or challenges within the course, innovation, and adaptability. The "Robotic Competition" not only celebrated technological achievements but also provided a platform for enthusiasts to exchange ideas, share knowledge and fostered a sense of community among robotics enthusiasts. The winners were awarded for their outstanding contributions, inspiring the audience and to continue pushing the boundaries of what robots can achieve.

Faculty of Siddha Medicine illuminates World Ayurveda Day with Colorful Celebrations

The Faculty of Siddha Medicine at Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, painted a vibrant picture on November 10th, 2023, as they came together to celebrate World Ayurveda Day. Students and staff adorned the campus premises with colorful events, showcasing the rich heritage and practices of Ayurveda. It was a joyous occasion filled with cultural performances, enlightening discussions, and shared enthusiasm for traditional medicine.

EUSL Launches Undergraduate Invention & Innovation Club

In a pioneering move, students from all faculties of Eastern University, Sri Lanka came together to establish the Undergraduate Invention & Innovation Club (UIIC) on October 6, 2023. The inauguration took place in the Senate Board Room, EUSL, where the purpose behind creating such a club was elucidated, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the traditional oil lamp.

Dr. Rodney Fernando, Senior Lecturer in Physics provided introductory remarks, setting the stage for the club's journey into the realms of knowledge and discovery. The executive committee members were elected unanimously from the student body, with the newly appointed President outlining the club's future plans.

The event was graced by the Vice Chancellor Prof. V. Kanagasigam, who delivered an inspiring talk as the Chief Guest. The official logo of the UIIC was unveiled, marking a significant milestone. Dr. S. Mathanraj and Mr. R.M.S.B. Rathnayake presented insightful talks, enriching the inaugural program.

Feedback comments were collected from guests and participants, shaping the direction of future activities. Students were then grouped for various initiatives, concluding with a vote of thanks, signaling a promising beginning for the UIIC at EUSL.

Inaugural Research Methodology Workshop by CIIC

The Undergraduate Innovation and Invention Club (CIIC) proudly organized the first workshop in their series on Research Methodology, focusing on the fundamental principles of 'Introduction to Research and Development' on the 08th of November, 2024.

Leading the session was none other than Prof. A. Anton Arulrajah, Professor in Management at EUSL. With his expertise and guidance, participants delved into the intricacies of research methodologies, laying a solid foundation for their academic pursuits.

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UNDERGRADUATE INNOVATION AND INVENTION CLUB

"Forging a visionary path towards unexplored realms of research and innovation, setting new standards for excellence and impact in our sphere."

First workshop on Research Methodology

INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

08th Nov. 2023 **4.00 P.M. Onwards** **Lecture Hall 02**
Faculty of Commerce and Management

Resource person
Prof. A. Anton Arulrajah
Professor in Management
Department of Management
Faculty of Commerce and Management

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Undergraduate Innovation and Invention Club (UIIC)
Eastern University
Sri Lanka

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076 681 90 52 - President (UIIC)

NEW APPOINTMENTS

DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR



DR. THAMBIRAJAH PRABAHARAN

Senior Lecturer Gr.I in Management

DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR

Effective from 01st November 2023

DEANS OF THE FACULTIES



DR. V. ANAVARATHAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Noinaadal Chikitsai

DEAN

Faculty of Siddha Medicine

Effective from 02nd October 2023



PROF. N. RAJESHWARAN

Professor in Accounting and Finance

DEAN

Faculty of Commerce and Management

Effective from 06th October 2023

DIRECTORS OF ENTITIES



DR. M. KONESWARAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Chemistry

DIRECTOR (Part Time)

University Business Linkage

For Three Years from 12/09/2023



DR. T. GERETHARAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Crop Science

DIRECTOR

Students Support Services and Welfare

From 01/07/2023

NEW APPOINTMENTS

COORDINATOR OF ENTITY



Mr. V. ALAGARETNAM

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Philosophy

COORDINATOR

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

For Three Years from 07/10/2023

ACTING DIRECTOR



DR. P. ELANGO

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Mathematics

ACTING DIRECTOR

Center for Quality Assurance (CQA)

For One Month from 02/12/2023

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT



DR. R. JOY EBENEZER

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Chemistry

HEAD / CHEMISTRY

For 3 Years from 01/11/2023

ACTING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



PROF. (Mrs.) SHANTHI KESAVAN

Professor in Hindu Civilization

Actg. HEAD / HINDU CIVILIZATION

From 02/09/2023 to 08/10/2023



MR. NAGAI AH VAMAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Hindu Civilization

Actg. HEAD / HINDU CIVILIZATION

From 09/10/2023 to 08/11/2023



Ms. VIJITHA THIVAHARAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Tamil

Actg. HEAD,

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING

From 23/11/2023 to

22/01/2024

NEW APPOINTMENTS

ACTING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



Mr. M. S. THAYARAJ
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Commerce
Actg. HEAD / COMMERCE
From 06/10/2023 to 05/11/2023



Mrs. THUSHYANTHI SATHYAJITH
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Fine Arts
Actg. HEAD / FINE ARTS
From 01/12/2023 to 31/12/2023



DR. S. MATHANRAJ
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Geography
**Actg. HEAD / INFO. TECHNOLOGY
/ARTS & CULTURE**
From 23/11/2023 to 22/01/2024

ACADEMIC CAREER GUIDANCE ADVISORS (Part Time)



DR. (Mrs.) VANITHA PRASANNATH
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Bio Systems
Technology
**ACAD. CAREER GUIDANCE ADVISOR
/ FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY**
For 3 Years from 12/09/2023



Mrs. E. DELINA J. PRINCE
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Agricultural
Engineering
**ACAD. CAREER GUIDANCE ADVISOR
/ FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**
For 3 Years from 08/11/2023



ENG. T. VINOTHRAJ
Lecturer in ICT
**ACAD. CAREER GUIDANCE ADVISOR
/ FACULTY OF SCIENCE**
For 3 Years from 12/12/2023

ACADEMIC PROGRAMME COORDINATOR / ARTS



Mrs. GOWRY LUXMYKANTHAN
Senior Lecturer Gr.II in History
**ACAD. PROGRAMME COORDINATOR,
BOARD OF STUDY,
FACULTY OF ARTS and CULTURE**
For 3 Years from 10/11/2023



**DR. (Mrs.) THIVAHARY
GERETHARAN**
Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Agricultural
Economics
WARDEN – WOMEN'S HOSTEL
For 3 Months from 04/10/2023

NEW APPOINTMENTS

ATTENDING TO THE DUTIES OF ENTITIES



Mr. S. THIBAKARAN
Instructor in Physical Education Gr. II
ATTENDING TO THE DUTIES
of the DIRECTOR
/PHYSICAL EDUCATION
For Three Months from 07/10/2023



Mrs. LAVANYA ASHOK
Senior Audit Assistant
ATTENDING TO THE DUTIES
of the ASST. INTERNAL AUDITOR
One Year from 01/09/2023

APPOINTMENT OF LECTURER (Probationary and Unconfirmed)

S/N	Names & Faculties Appointed	Designations	Effective Dates of Appointments
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE			
01	Ms. R. KRISHNANANTHY	Lecturer (Probationary)	01 st December 2023
FACULTY OF ARTS and CULTURE			
02	Ms. D. VITHUKSHANA	Lecturer (Probationary)	03 rd November 2023
03	Mr. P. SUMAN	Lecturer (Unconfirmed)	13 th November 2023
FACULTY OF COMMERCE and MANAGEMENT			
04	Mrs. L. DELIMA	Lecturer (Unconfirmed)	03 rd November 2023

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT



Mr. R. SENTHURAAN
Assistant Registrar
Actg. ASSISTANT REGISTRAR / LIBRARY
SERVICES
From 19/10/2023
+ BOARD OF SURVEY and FIXED ASSET
REGISTRAR
From 22/12/2023

PROMOTIONS OF ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR PROFESSOR



SENIOR PROFESSOR S. THIRUKKANESH

Senior Professor in Mathematics
Effective from 28th Dec.2023

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF PROFESSOR

Faculty of Agriculture



PROFESSOR (Mrs.) NIRANJANA RODNEY FERNANDO

Professor in Agricultural Entomology
Effective from 16th November 2021



PROFESSOR M. SUGIRTHARAN

Professor in Agricultural Engineering
Effective from 10th March 2022

Faculty of Arts and Culture



PROFESSOR (Mrs) SHANTHI KESAVAN

Professor in Hindu Civilization
Effective from 30th November 2022

PROMOTIONS OF ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF PROFESSOR

Faculty of Commerce and Management



PROFESSOR S. JEYARAJAH

Professor in Economics
Effective from 24th March 2023



PROFESSOR (Mrs.) JEYAPRABA SURESH

Professor in Economics
Effective from 29th May 2023

Faculty of Health Care Sciences



**PROFESSOR (Mrs)
V. THADCHANAMOORTHY**

Professor in Pediatrics
Effective from 14th November 2022



PROFESSOR T. SATHAANANTHAN

Professor in
Medical Education & Research
Effective from 04th April 2023



PROFESSOR K. ARULANANDEM

Professor in Family Medicine
Effective from 05th June 2023

Faculty of Science



PROFESSOR T. MATHIVENTHAN

Professor in Botany
Effective from 05th April 2021



**PROFESSOR (Mrs)
CHANDRAVATHANY G. DEVADASAN**

Professor in Zoology
Effective from 12th July 2021

PROMOTIONS OF ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF DEPUTY LIBRARIAN



MR. S. SANTHAROODBAN

Deputy Librarian

Effective from 03.02.2023

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR LECTURER Gr. I

Faculty of Agriculture



**DR. (Mrs.) BAWATHARANEE
RAVEENDRAKUMAARAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Agric. Engineering
Effective from 28th March 2020



DR. K. PRASANNATH

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Agric. Biology
Effective from 29th June 2021

Faculty of Arts & Culture



DR. R. PREMKUMAR

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Philosophy
Effective from 12th February 2022



DR. S. UMASHANKAR

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in English
Effective from 06th April 2023

PROMOTIONS OF ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR LECTURER Gr. II

Faculty of Agriculture



DR. T. M. S. ASANKA TENNAKOON

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Agric. Biology
Effective from 01st November 2023



DR. (Mrs.) VANITHA PRASANNATH

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Bio Sys. Technology
Effective from 17th November 2023

Faculty Of Health Care Sciences



DR. (Mrs.) H. M. T. P. HERATH

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Primary Health Care
Effective from 02nd September 2019



DR. P. YUHASAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Medical
Education & Research
Effective from 14th July 2022



DR. V. LOKEESAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in
Supplementary Health Science
Effective from 19th July 2023

Faculty of Science



MRS. NILANI VIJITHARAN

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Zoology
Effective from 01st August 2023

PROMOTIONS OF NON-ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

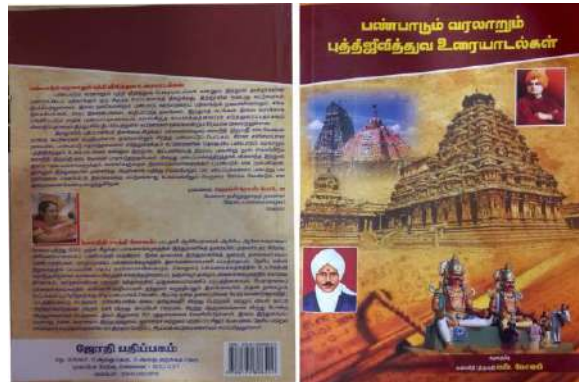
S/N	Names & Departments Attached	Promoted to the Post of	Effective Dates
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION			
1	Mr. RAJENDRAN KAJENDRAN	Senior Staff Management Assistant	01.10.2022
2	Mr. PATHMANATHAN THANUSHAN	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.12.2022
FACULTY OF ARTS & CUTURE			
3	Mr. KANTHASAMY YOGARAJAH	Works Aide Gr. I	05.09.2020
FACULTY OF COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT			
4	Mrs. KALAIVANY NAVANEETHAN	Management Assistant Gr. I	03.03.2022
CENTER FOR EXTERNAL DEGREES & EXTENSION COURSES			
5	Mrs. YOGESWARY ELIZABETH PREMAKUMAR	Management Assistant Gr. I	02.04.2023
DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL SCIENCES/FHCS			
6	Mr. MURUGUPILLAI SASIMUHUNTHAN	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
DEPARTMENT OF CROP SCIENCE/AGRICULTURE			
7	Mr. ARUMUGAM MANIVANNAN	Senior Staff Management Assistant	17.04.2020
ELECTRICITY SERVICES DIVISION			
8	Mr. CHRISTY XAVIER NETTO	Electrician Gr. I	03.06.2022
ENGINEERING SERVICES DIVISION			
9	Mr. SAKKARAI NAHENTHIRAN	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
ESTABLISHMENTS DEPARTMENT			
10	Mrs. SURESKUMAR SUPAASHINI	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.01.2021
11	Mr. PALIPODY SELVAKUMAR	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.01.2023
12	Mr. VAIRAMUTHU VETTIVEL	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT			
13	Mr. SHANMUGAM RAVINDRAKUMAR	Senior Staff Management Assistant	01.06.2022
14	Mrs. THEVAMALAR SIVANESASEGARAM	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT			
15	Mr. KALIMUTHU VIJAYAN	Cycle Orderly (Special Grade I)	01.06.2023
16	Mr. PATHINICHAMY KUGATHASAN	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN BIOLOGY/FHCS			
17	Mrs. KIRUJARUPAH KANDEEPAN	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.01.2023
INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT			
18	Mrs. LAVANYA ASHOK	Senior Audit Assistant	02.09.2022
LIBRARY			
19	Mr. YOGANATHAN ROSNYRAJ	Library Information Assistant Gr. II	01.03.2023
OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR			
20	Mr. SARAVANAMUTHU PREMAVIJAI	Works Aide Gr. II	01.10.2022
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR			
21	Mrs. THARMINI SEYON	Management Assistant Gr. II	05.10.2021
OFFICE OF THE DEAN/AGRICULTURE			
22	Mrs. VIJAYA THURAIYOGARAJAH	Senior Staff Management Assistant	05.09.2022
23	Mr. MANOHARARAJAH NITHARSHAN	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.12.2022

PROMOTIONS OF NON-ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

S/N	Names & Departments Attached	Promoted to the Post of	Effective Dates
STORES & SUPPLIES DIVISION			
24	Mrs. JESUHITHA PRASANTHKUMAR	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.01.2023
25	Mr. SELVARASA VIJAYARAJA	Management Assistant Gr. I	01.06.2023
STUDENT AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT			
26	Mrs. JOYCE PAMANA PIRAMAKARAN	Senior Staff Management Assistant	01.10.2022
TRANSPORT SERVICES			
27	Mr. PATHMANANDAVEL JEYARAM	Driver Gr. I	03.02.2023
28	Mr. THIRUCHELVAM SAJAKANTH	Driver Gr. I	02.06.2023
29	Mr. THIRUMAL UTHAYAKUMAR	Driver Gr. I	02.06.2023
UNIVERSITY FARM			
30	Mr. SINNATHAMBY KALAICHELVEN	Nurseryman (Special Grade)	05.09.2021
DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY/SCIENCE			
31	Mrs. RATNAKUMARI RAVICHANDRAN	Staff Technical Officer Gr. I	05.04.2023

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Remembering Our Departed Colleagues: In Memoriam

In solemn remembrance, we extend our deepest condolences to the families of the retired staff members of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, who passed away during the period of October to December 2023. These dedicated individuals devoted their talents and years of service to our institution, leaving behind a legacy of commitment and excellence



PROF. S. YOGARAJAH
Rtd. PROF. IN TAMIL
Departed – 07 December 2023



Mr. S. SIVALINGAM
Rtd. CHIEF SECURITY OFFICER
Departed – 24 October 2023



Mr. S. SELVARAJAH
Rtd. LABOURER
Departed – 20 November 2023



Mr. S. SIVALINGAM
Rtd. CONSULTANT TECHNICAL OFFICER
Departed – 27 November 2023



Mrs. SAHAYARANI PARARAJASINGAM
Rtd. SENIOR ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
Departed – 10 December 2023



Mr. R. P. SELVARAJAH
Rtd. LABOURER
Departed – 31 December 2023

Final Thoughts: Glimpses from the Chief Editor

As we delve into the complexities of higher education, we recognize its pivotal role in shaping the future of individuals and societies. In this fast-paced world, staying abreast of the latest developments in academia is indispensable. Hence, we are committed to bringing you timely updates on the vibrant activities and initiatives undertaken by Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

Through our newsletter, we aim to bridge the gap between the university community and our readers, fostering a deeper understanding of the dynamic landscape of higher education. From groundbreaking research to innovative programs, we strive to disseminate news that inspires, informs, and empowers. Join us on this journey of discovery and enlightenment as we embark on a quest to unravel the mysteries of higher learning and celebrate the achievements of our prestigious university.

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