

## MOBILITY CHART - Colombo

<b>University:</b>	University of Colombo
<b>Country:</b>	Sri Lanka
<b>Unicode:</b>	ISAP
<b>Homepage:</b>	<a href="http://www.cmb.ac.lk/">http://www.cmb.ac.lk/</a> <a href="http://iouc.cmb.ac.lk/">http://iouc.cmb.ac.lk/</a>

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### Information Material:

International Office: <https://iouc.cmb.ac.lk/introduction-to-international-office>  
Study and Travel Guide Sri Lanka  
Further information available in the SAO during our office hours

### Application Deadline:

CV, student data sheet, reference, FlexNow print off, letter of motivation in English.  
Also see <https://www.uni-giessen.de/cms/saoappli>

### Application Process:

1. Submit your application to the SAO, deadline in December
2. Selection process and nomination by the end of December/beginning of January
3. Nomination at the University of Colombo
4. Contact with host university
5. Contact with former Outgoings and present Incomings (Study Buddy Programme)

### Application at SAO:

December of the year preceding study stay abroad; precise deadline to be announced on our webpage.

### Application at Host Uni:

Please submit CV, transcript or records, and a copy of your passport.

### Available Spots:

3 semester placements  
Faculty of Arts: Department of English

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### Information on Courses:

POSSIBLE FIELDS OF STUDY:  
Economics, Sociology, International Relations, Psychology (MA), Sports, Biology, Physics, Law, Art and the Performing Arts.

NOTE: no modern languages!

**MAIN RESEARCH AREAS:**

Literary and cultural theory, south-Asian literatures; Postcolonial studies, women's/gender studies; Corpus linguistics, language standardization, language learning and policy; Drama and film studies, childhood studies

**COURSE OPTION:**

Open. Students are welcome to take as many courses as they like. Colombo students would normally take 3-4 courses only

**COURSES TAKEN BY PREVIOUS OUTGOINGS:**

Introduction to the English Language; Introduction to Poetry and Poetry Criticism; Written Composition; Introduction to Women's Literature; Modern Drama Studies; Metaphysical and Neoclassical Poetry; Shakespeare Studies; The Novel in the 18th and 19th centuries; Medieval Drama to 1642; Literary and Cinematic Narrative; Studies in Contemporary South Asian Literature; The Romantic Age; Thematic Approaches to the Modern Novel; Studies in Sociolinguistics; The History of the English Language; Spelling and its Implications in Sri Lanka; Syntax; Sri Lankan English Phonology and Pronunciation; Discourses in Migrant Writing; Discourse Analysis; Stage and Performance; Afro-American Women's Writing; War and Community - Literary and Cinematic Treatments from South Asia, Postcolonial African Writing, Language Policy and Planning

NOTE: Students have to discuss their exact course programme with academic staff at the university.

**Courses taken WS19/20:**

1. Introduction to Second Language Acquisition
2. First Language Acquisition
3. Language Policy and Planning

**Courses taken WS18/19:**

1. Modern Drama
2. Shakespeare Studies
3. Poetry of the Victorian Era
4. Stage and Performance
5. First Language Acquisition and Bilingualism
6. Second Language Acquisition
7. Translation and Creativity

**Courses taken WS17/18:**

1. First Language Acquisition and Bilingualism
2. Environmental Economics
3. International Humanitarian Law
4. China in the Modern World
5. John Milton's Paradise Lost
6. Economics of Sustainable Development

## Language of Instruction and language requirements:

English within the Department of English, other subjects in Sinhala;  
TOEFL or IELTS or main subject English

## Term Time:

Semester times in Colombo will change. The first semester usually starts late October (November) and continues through to March / April. Still, students will need to be very flexible about this - in past, semester dates have been changing a lot (WS19/20: 26.08.2019 - 31.01.2020 ; WS18/19: 10.09.18 - 15.01.19; WS15/16: 26.10.15 - 08.04.15)

## Particularities:

Proof of English language skills (if English is not the major field of studies).

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## Recognition:

Please see handout "course recognition", online: <https://www.uni-giessen.de/faculties/f05/engl/sa/out/cpRecog>

## Accommodation:

**PRIVATE:** Costs: approx. 280 euros/month.

Look for a shared flat; former Outgoings: 280 euros per month incl. furniture, equipped kitchen, air conditioner, washing machine, TV, internet, water, electricity.

Apartment (Einliegerwohnung) for 3 people; Approx. 200 € per person/ per month + maintenance + water, excluding internet and electricity (approx. 30 € per month)

AirBnB room with private bathroom: 175€ - 350€ per months, breakfast included

Look for a shared apartment; maybe get in touch with the Sri Lankan Students and/or former Giessen Outgoings beforehand.

**DORMS:** No dorms on campus, but a flat can be arranged by the Colombo International Unit.

## Funding:

**TUITION:** ISAP scholarship > no tuition fees

**OTHER COSTS:** Visa fees (approx. 130 euros)

**VACCINATIONS:** rabies and thypoid fever (approx. 250 euros – partly covered by health insurance)

Health Insurance (30 euros per month)

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## Further Information:

**POSSIBLE SPONSORSHIP:** Monthly scholarship (ISAP stipend), travel funding, health insurance grant.

**NOTE:** Bei gleichzeitigem Beziehen v. Auslands-Bafög fallen Reisekostenerstattung und der Krankenversicherungs-Zuschuss von 35 Euro weg.

**VISA PROCEDURE:**

In Germany: To apply for a student visa one has to visit the Sri Lankan Embassy or Consulate in Germany and apply for an Entrance Visa there. The required documents are: 3 passport sized pictures, valid

passport, flight ticket and a letter from the host university to be sent to the Embassy/Consulate via the Department of Immigration and Emigration in Colombo. The visa is issued immediately. Contact Ms. Kalhari: She is the person responsible for the international students at the University of Colombo. This is her email address: info.iuuc@gmail.com

In Sri Lanka: Within 30 days, the Entrance Visa has to be prolonged. This takes place at the Department of Immigration and Emigration. The students have to fill out a form asking personal details. A representative of the International Unit talks to the controller. After the required documents (letters from the University or Ministry of Higher Education and forms) have been approved by the controller, the passports are collected. If no documents are missing, the visa will be issued after paying the 20000 Rs. and waiting some time. In case, the controller requires any other documents from the university, the students get a fixed date to return to the department and get their passports (including the residence student visa) back.

Particularities: If the student enters the country without having applied for an Entrance Visa in Germany, he/she will be issued a Tourist Visa. Normally, this visa cannot be prolonged for the period of six months or be transformed into a residence visa. If the University gets the needed documents, the visa will be issued. The authorities, however, do prefer it if the students follow the administrative instructions. Therefore, it is highly recommended to get an Entrance Visa in Germany, before entering Sri Lanka. Students should try to obtain their visa as soon as possible since delays might occur.