

Annual Report - 2012

Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, University of Peradeniya

(as reported by the Dean, Dr DBM.Wickramaratne)

Introduction

Faculty of Allied Health Sciences (FAHS) is the youngest and the 8th Faculty of the University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka and which was established in 2007. The Faculty is currently offering six 4 year and 3 year general + 1 year special undergraduate degree programs in Nursing and Allied Health Sciences for the qualifications of B. Sc Nursing, B.Sc Physiotherapy, B.Sc Medical Laboratory Science, B.Pharm (Pharmacy), B.Sc Radiography and B.Sc Radiotherapy. The FAHS has five departments of study catering for each discipline with 26 academic and 36 non academic staff members. The faculty provides an excellent study environment to students with well structured hospital based training, practical, laboratory, computer and library facilities and offers a variety of subject combinations. The second batch admitted to this faculty (150 students) is now completed their courses. First time in the history of the University of Peradeniya five new B.Sc degrees and B.Pharm degree were awarded at the general convocation held in 2012. At present, there are 670 students are following degree programmes on various discipline mentioned above. And, the faculty has made collaboration with national and private hospital authorities to provide hospital based training to the students. The graduates of the faculty are employed at private hospitals and the laboratories. The faculty however, still depends very much on the good will and support extended by Deans of other faculties and their staff. The faculty currently has two telephone extension provided by the University with intercom facilities , six direct lines, and recently networking facilities of the faculty has been established to access internet facilities through ADSL connection. Physiotherapy service outlet of the faculty provides a quality physiotherapy services to outpatients and to use the patient service within the faculty as a good clinical practice exposure environment for the students. The X-ray unit provides patient service while giving priority for undergraduate education.

Achievements

The Sri Lanka Seth Sewa Foundation donated a large number of books to the Faculty at the function held in the Faculty premises on 20th January 2012.

First batch of students (2005/06) who have enrolled at the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences completed their prescribed course work and qualified for the graduation. A total of 159 students received their respective degree award in the annual convocation held on 14th March 2012. Two batch of Pharmacy students (2005/06 & 2006/07) were graduated at the General Convocation.' Going Down' function of the 1st batch of students of the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences was held on 19th February 2012 at the WUS premises with great success.

The Foundation stone laying ceremony for the construction of New Building for the Faculty was held on 24th February 2012 at the Faculty premises. The Vice Chancellor was the Chief Guest, staff members and students were participated at the function. Students of the Department of Physiotherapy participated actively and organized 02 stalls on the topics " BACK CARE" and "SPORTS NUTRITION" in Sri Lanka Sports medicine Exhibition held at Buddhist Cultural Center, Colombo on 23rd January 2012. The Department of Physiotherapy initiated a community based rehabilitation programme in Kandy district from March 2012. The Physiotherapy students will be doing field visits and involving in community works. Some Physiotherapy equipment were donated by Dr. H.J. Suraweera to the Service Unit of the Department of Physiotherapy, Faculty of AHS on 09th October 2012

A "Dharmadeshanawa" & "Dansala" programmes organized by the Faculty Buddhist society were held on 2nd May 2012 and a "Bakthi Geetha" Programme organized by the Faculty Buddhist society

was held on 8th May 2012 at the Faculty premises. Large numbers of students and the staff were participated. Anti - Dengue campaign, inspection & Shramadana works were carried out by the staff of the Faculty of AHS on 13th July 2012. All staff actively participated.

Under the MoU signed between the School of Health Sciences, Niigata University, Japan and the University of Peradeniya for student exchange programme, a team of delegates including 03 professor & 10 students (Nursing & Medical Laboratory Technology) from the Niigata University visited the Faculty from 2nd September -12th September 2012 and 09 students from the Departments of Nursing, Radiography & MLS of the Faculty of AHS followed a research study at the Niigata University, Japan for the period of 03 months from 13.08.2012 to 03.11.2012 . under the sister link programme between the School of Health Sciences, Niigata University, Japan and the University of Peradeniya, a team of delegates including 06 professor from the Niigata University visited the Faculty of AHS from 26th November -30th November 2012, and Prof. KMS.Wimalasiri(Acting Head/ Dept of Nursing) and Dr.MPS.Mudalige(Head/ Dept of MLS) participated in a staff exchange programme at the Niigata University, Japan from 08th – 15th December 2012.

A team of 16 students & 03 staff from the Management & Science University (MSU), Shah Alam, Malaysia visited the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, University of Peradeniya on 30th of October 2012 in order to develop interuniversity relationship, share traditional & cultural values and international exposure. The Department of Nursing is engaged in a collaborative research with the Gunma University, Japan on “Evaluation of possibility of nursing skill transfer through Skype”. A MoU signed between two universities.

The Deyata Sevana National Tree Planting Campaign was held on 15.11.2012 at the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences and also an “Herbal Garden” was inaugurated at the Faculty on the same day. Few medicinal plants were planted by Dr.DBM .Wickramaratne, the Dean of the Faculty and the Head of the Departments. Staff and students were actively participated

3+1 curriculum for B.Pharm programme was approved by the Senate of the University and 3+1 curriculum of other departments were approved by the ADPC of the University. Department of Nursing and the Department of MLS of the Faculty submitted two separate proposals for a HETC Competitive Grant (window-02)

Ms.MHF. Sakeena from Dept of Pharmacy was awarded Indo-SriLanka award to conduct an International workshop on Transdermal product- Regulatory requirement in Asian Scenario. Ms.MHF. Sakeena from Dept of Pharmacy was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade 11 and appointed as Head of the Department of Pharmacy from 07.11.2012.

Failure and Justification

Volume 04 of the Sri Lanka Bulletin of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences is due to published soon. Delay was occurred due to Academic staff Trade union Action. Manuscripts for the publishing in next issue have been finalized.

The process of Fixing of CT- Scanning machine at the faculty is not completed due to non availability of some parts, action to obtaining this is in process.

The renovation of old building could not be completed due to insufficient labour force and the construction of New Building for the Faculty could not completed due to delay of commitment of the contractor.

Future Plans

*Establishment of a Pharmacy Outlet at the faculty and implement an M.Pharm programme at Faculty of Allied Health sciences

*Department of Nursing of the Faculty of AHS is willing to establish a “Community Health Study Center” basically to provide training for health care providers caring elderly at home level

* establish a diagnostic Laboratory, a microbiological laboratory with well equipments and the student research laboratory at the Faculty

*Establish a chemical waste disposal system

02. Details of Resources & Students-2012

Course	Total Students	Total No. of Academic Staff	Visiting Lecturer	Tem. Demo/ Instructor	Total No. of Non Academic Staff	Executive Staff
Dept of Pharmacy	81	06	20	05	06	-
Dept of MLS	108	04	22	06	06	-
Dept of Nursing	221	05	10	03	05	-
Dept of Physiotherapy	148	06 (01 on contract)	12	02	04	-
Dept of Radiography	112	05 (01 on Contract)	35	05	04	-
Dean's Office – FAHS (AR+AB)	-	-	-	01	08	02
Total	670	26	99	22	33	02

03. Details of Local Students

Course	Medium	Intake 2012	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year	5 th Year	# of Graduated
Dept of Pharmacy	English		23	20	17	21	-	19+14
Dept of MLS	English		27	25	13	23	20	43
Dept of Nursing	English		48	49	39	42	43	36
Dept of Physiotherapy	English		31	25	31	31	30	32
Dept of Radiography	English		22	21	18	23	28	32
Total			151	140	118	140	121	176

04. Details of Foreign Students

Course	Medium	Intake 2012	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year	5 th Year	# of Graduated
Dept of Pharmacy	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dept of MLS	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dept of Nursing	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dept of Physiotherapy	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dept of Radiography	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	None	-	-	-	-	-	-

05. Details of Postgraduate Students

Course	Medium	Intake 2012	Enrolment of Students	# of Graduated
Dept of Pharmacy	-	None	-	-
Dept of MLS	-	None	-	-
Dept of Nursing	-	None	-	-
Dept of Physiotherapy	-	None	-	-
Dept of Radiography	-	None	-	-
Total	-	None	-	-

06. Details of Academic staff (permanent staff only) as at 31.12.2012

Department	Medium	Snr. Prof	Prof	Snr. Lec	Lecturer	Asst. Lec	Instructor
Dept of Pharmacy	English	-	-	02	04	-	-
Dept of MLS	English	-	-	03	01	-	-
Dept of Nursing	English	-	-	-	05	-	-
Dept of Physiotherapy	English	-	-	-	05	-	-
Dept of Radiography	English	-	-	-	04	-	-
Total		-	-	05	19	-	-

07. Details of Academic Support staff (permanent staff only) as at 31.12.2012

Department	Most Senior	Senior Staff	Junior Staff	Minor employees
Dept of Pharmacy	-	-	-	-
Dept of MLS	-	-	-	-
Dept of Nursing	-	-	-	-
Dept of Physiotherapy	-	-	-	-
Dept of Radiography	-	-	-	-
Total	None	None	None	None

08. Details of Non Academic Support staff (permanent staff only) as at 31.12.2012

Department	Most Senior	Senior Staff	Junior Staff	Minor employees
Dept of Pharmacy	-	01	03	02
Dept of MLS	-	-	04	02
Dept of Nursing	-	-	03	02
Dept of Physiotherapy	-	-	02	02
Dept of Radiography	-	-	02	02
Dean's office - FAHS (AR+AB)	02	-	05	03

Total	02	01	19	13
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09. Details of Research, innovation and Publications

Subject	Published	commercialized	Presented
No of Researches	07	-	02
No of Innovations	-	-	-
No of Journals	-	-	-
No of books	01	-	-
No of Articles	04	-	-
Abstracts	03	-	03
presentation	01	-	01
Total			

10. Details of Programme, Seminars & Workshops

(a) Details of Programmes

Subject	Attended	completed	presented
Postgraduate degree programme	06	-	-
Postgraduate diploma programme	-	-	-
Degree programme	-	-	-
Post diploma programme	-	-	-
No of Certificate programme	03	02	-
Others workshops/Training programme/Seminars/working papers/Book Chapters/ Presentations	15	-	02
Survey	02	01	
Total	19	03	02

(b) Details of Workshops, Training / Awareness Programme and Short courses conducted in 2012

Event/ Title	Faculty/ Department	Date of Held
Workshop on " First Aid Techniques"	Dept of MLS	18-19.02.2012
Symposium on STIs and HIV for AHS students	Dept of MLS	26.05.2012
Training Course on" Emergency Life Care sri lanka & Emergency Medicine"	Prof. CDA.Goonasekera, SSCCEM ELC Sri Lanka	06-10.08.2012
A workshop on "Trauma Management"	Dept of Nursing	14-15.12.2012
A special Guest Lecture on "Depression and Teens" for nursing students	Dept of Nursing	09.11.2012

workshop on “Radiation protection for Medical Radiographers” Department of Nuclear Science, University of Colombo.	Dept of Radiography	25.02.2012
A community based rehabilitation programme in Kandy district. The Physiotherapy students will be doing field visits and involving in community works.	Dept of Physiotherapy	From March 2012
Awareness programme with Social service organization of Kandy	Dept of Physiotherapy	Jan – April 2012
Workshop on Research methods & Scientific writing for FAHS undergraduate students	Dept of Pharmacy	

(c) Details of International Conference and workshops hosted by the Faculty in 2012

Institute	Faculty/ Department	Date of Held
-None-		

(d) Details of International Agreements/MOU’s signed in 2012

Institute	Faculty/ Department	Date of signed
Niigata University, Japan	Dept of MLS, Dept of Radiography, Dept of Nursing- FAHS	02.02.2010 11.09.2011 04.09.2012
Management & Science University (MSU), Shah Alam, Malaysia	Dept. of Pharmacy, FAHS	30.10.2012
Gunma University, Japan	Dept of Nursing, FAHS	25.08.2011

11. Details of Awards Received-2012

Subject	No of Awards	No of Academics	No of Students
Local Awards	-	-	-
National Awards	-	-	-
International Awards	01	01	-
Other	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-

12. Details of New Courses started

Course	medium	certificate	Diploma	PG Diploma	Master	M.Phil	PhD
None	-	-	-	-	-	-	-