



POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA

CALLING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF DIRECTOR

Applications are invited from members of the Academic Staff for the Post of Director of the Postgraduate Institute of the Humanities and the Social Sciences (PGIHS), University of Peradeniya. The PGIHS is a National Institute established by Ordinance by the Ministry of Higher Education under Section 24A of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 for the purpose of providing, promoting and developing higher education in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Under the Ordinance of the Institute, the applicant should be a confirmed member of the academic staff of the University of Peradeniya.

The Director, in terms of the Ordinance of the PGIHS, is the Principal Executive Officer, the Principal Academic Officer and the Accounting Officer of the Institute. The Director is the Chairman of the Board of Management and ex-officio member of each Board of Study of the Institute. The appointed Director shall hold office for a period of three years from the date of appointment or until s/he reaches the 65th year, whichever occurs earlier. As per UGC Circular 10/2022, applicant should be a citizen of Sri Lanka and be less than 63 years of age.

The vision of the Institute is to be the leader in postgraduate education, research and critical thinking in the Humanities and the Social Sciences in the country and a center of excellence in the region. Under the Corporate Plan adopted, the Institute is planning to expand its academic programmes and research portfolio by introducing new and demand-driven multidisciplinary study programmes and through active engagement in research and community outreach. The Board of Management of the PGIHS is seeking an individual with a sound, academic background and an excellent record of research and management who possesses the vision to fulfill the mission of the Institute.

The prospective applicant should possess postgraduate qualifications, preferably a Ph.D., with administrative experience. She or he is also required to have the interpersonal skills necessary to perform duties in a multidisciplinary academic environment and an understanding of the Institute's commitment to the community. The successful candidate will be responsible for providing academic leadership while establishing working relations with other organizations within the University and other national and international institutes.

The Director is eligible to receive a salary on the scale of (U-AC 5 (II)), with a fixed monthly entertainment allowance, an academic allowance as applicable to University Staff, official transport, and other approved government allowances applicable to the post.

The prospective applicant should send in her/his application along with the full curriculum vitae including the date of birth, a vision statement for the development of the Institute, and a brief account of what she/he proposes to achieve if appointed to the post. The application must either be personally handed over or mailed under registered cover to reach the **Assistant Registrar, Postgraduate Institute of the Humanities and the Social Sciences, University of Peradeniya, Peradeniya** on or before **17th December 2023**. The envelope should indicate "**Post of Director, Postgraduate Institute of the Humanities and the Social Sciences, University of Peradeniya**" on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

Further details and updated information can be obtained from the Assistant Registrar, Postgraduate Institute of the Humanities and the Social Sciences via telephone (081-2388957) and email : ar@pgihs.ac.lk or by visiting the website of the Institute (www.pgihs.ac.lk).

**Assistant Registrar,
PGIHS
University of Peradeniya**

13th November 2023