# SOCIAL HARMONY

# **DSE-3215 Social Harmony**

Social harmony Subject is to ensure that people have access to fundamental social rights and live peacefully with mutual trust irrespective of faith, religion, gender, and regional differences. The major themes of the course include democratic human values, Sri Lankan culture, society, and the role of religion in practicing tolerance.

# More Information

- -There will be three (03) Day Schools to facilitate students' understanding of concepts.
- -Attendance for Lectures is Compulsory.

# **Day School Timetable.**

## 1st Day School

9th July 2023 Sunday 09.30 AM to 11.30 AM

# 2nd Day School

13th August Sunday 06.00 PM to 08.00 PM (via Zoom)

## **3rd Day School**

28 October Saturday 09.30 AM to 11.30 AM

# -Components for Assessment (for eligible)

- Word limit- Maximum 750 words
- Choose one topic out of the following and discuss it briefly.
- Questions
  - 1. Discuss any Teledrama/TV series/Movie that you have watched while analyzing how it tries to give a message to bring social harmony.
  - 2. Take any newspaper article and discuss how it influences the reader's mind to develop the idea of social harmony.
  - 3. Do you perceive Facebook content as an influential factor in bringing social harmony? Discuss with examples.
- > Online Submission Learn OUSL
- Submission Deadline 15th August 2023

# **Learning journal (Final Exam)**

#### Instructions:

- This project needs to be completed individually.
- ❖ World limit- Maximum 1750 to 2000 words.
- ❖ The students are expected to submit their reports in the English medium only.

# Task: Visiting the "other"

In this task, you are expected to prepare a report. For that, you are supposed to visit a family which belongs to a different community from your own in terms of language, religion, and ethnicity. You can select the family through your contacts or one within your neighborhood. You are expected to spend considerable time with the family you have selected while observing the differences you encounter in terms of their cultural or religious practices. In your Journal, you are required to report your learning experiences in socializing with the family or the community you have selected.

# You should consider the following points when you write the report:

- > A brief introduction of the cultural background of the family you visited.
- > Include your experience of different cultural values and practices.
- ➤ Reflections on the similarities, differences, or shared characteristics of cultural values and practices.
- > Share your experience on whether your interactions with the family enabled you to change any existing perceptions, judgments, or differences.
- > Define how broadly you reflect this experience in the background of ethnoreligious violence in Sri Lanka
- ➤ Give your suggestions/recommendations to create social harmony through the experience and the reflection you got through this study.
  - Submission Deadline 15th November -2023- Learning journal (Final Exam) Submission.
  - > Students must submit at the Sri Lanka Open University Regional or Study Center. (not accept Via Post or Online Submission)

## Noted:

- ✓ Attach a letter mentioning that you have interacted with the family or the group, from one of the family members as proof.
- ✓ Ethical considerations: Please inform and get written consent from the family members
  if you wish to include their photographs or if their identities are to be revealed in your
  report.
- ✓ Extreme care should be taken to ensure no harm is caused to their personal life or any infringements on their privacy.

# Don't Forget

- > 15th August CA-01 Online Submission
- > 15th November -2023- Learning journal (Final Exam) Submission Hard copy

## more information

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