

Rationale for Curriculum Revision

The major need for curriculum revision for the Bachelor of Arts Degree that is offered by the faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Kelaniya was initially pointed out in the Programme Review that was conducted by the QAC of the UGC at the Faculty of Humanities in 2017. The Programme Review Report laid impetus upon the need for the programme to ensure graduate employability, thus improving English language skills and introducing an Internship were highlighted. In order to rectify the shortcomings that were pointed out in the Programme Review Report, Curriculum Revision for the BA degree was proposed as the first activity for the ELTA ELSE grant of the AHEAD project and the activities proposed in the ELTA ELSE proposal were legitimized through the curriculum revision. As a result of the collaborative discussions that were held with the two faculties and the Director of the ICCMS the **Professional Subject Stream** was introduced as a major change to the degree programme. Three course units have been made compulsory in the Professional Subject Stream: English, Internship and IT. Additionally, Sinhala, Tamil, National Heritage and Civic Responsibility, Basic Mathematics and Statistics, and Community services were included to further enhance students' chances of becoming professionals as well as responsible citizens of the world.