

## **Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies - University of Kelaniya**

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### **Brief History**

Commencement of teaching on Commerce and Management Studies in the University of Kelaniya goes back to the year 1976. Accordingly, teaching in this line was first organized under a sub-division of the Department of Economics of the Faculty of Arts. Later, it functioned under the Faculty of Social Sciences. In 1980, a separate department, Department of Commerce was set-up under which the University offered Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) Special Degree. The B.Com. Special Degree Programme so functioning was diversified by introducing two other subject streams namely, Accountancy and Human Resources Management in 1993. In 1995, The Department of Commerce was converted into a full pledge faculty under the name, Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies (FCMS). The faculty, at this initial stage, consisted of two departments, Department of Commerce and Financial Management and the Department of Accountancy and Human Resource Management. In 1999, the latter department was separated as two departments namely, Department of Accountancy and Department of Human Resources Management along with setting up of a new study unit called Marketing Management Study Unit which became a full pledge department, Department of Marketing Management in 2005. Afterward, in 2008, a separate unit, Finance Study Unit under the Department of Accountancy was set-up to conduct the study programme on Finance more efficiently.

### **Vision of University**

The vision of the University of Kelaniya is to be one of the leading universities in Asia, which will prepare internationally competitive graduates, promote values of sustainable society and conducting outstanding research to improve quality of life.

### **Mission of the Faculty**

The mission of the faculty of Commerce & Management Studies of the University of Kelaniya is to produce academically and professionally