UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Research Assistant (Contract Basis)

Project Title: From Burden to Asset: Development of a Holistic Family-Based Care Model for Active Aging and Social Inclusion in Sri Lanka

Duration: 06 Months
Salary: LKR 60,000 per month
Workstation: Department of Sociology, University of Peradeniya.
Funding: Multidisciplinary Research Grant No. 396_MRG_2026, University Research Council

Research Team:

Dr. Priyadarshani Premarathne (Principal Investigator), Prof. W.M.S. Kumari Thoradeniya, Ms. Ishari Gunarathne, Ms. Dinushika Yapa Abeywardhana, Prof. Damayanthi Dassanayake, Dr. Asela Kulathunga, Prof. Josef Gohori, Dr. Pushpika Masakorala, Prof. Asanka Bulathwatta

Key Responsibilities

- Assist in fieldwork (surveys, interviews, focus group discussions)
- Support data entry, cleaning, and analysis
- Contribute to report writing and documentation
- Provide coordination and administrative support

Qualifications and Competencies

- A Second Class (Upper or Lower Division) or above in a Special Degree in Sociology, Social Work, Psychology, Demography, Community Health, Nursing or Allied Health Sciences, Development Studies, or any other relevant interdisciplinary field.
- Knowledge of qualitative and quantitative research methods
- Experience with SPSS, R, Stata, and/or NVivo
- Strong organizational and teamwork skills
- Ability to meet deadlines
- Excellent communication skills in English

How to Apply

Submit: CV & Statement of Interest

Deadline: 20 November 2026
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