

# PROGRAMME OF PGIS OPEN DAY '26

**Day 1 : Friday (12<sup>th</sup> June) | Target Audience: (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year)  
Undergraduates, Temporary Lecturers/Demonstrators**

- **08:30 a.m. – 09:45 a.m.** : Inaugural Ceremony, Venue: PGIS Auditorium
  - 8.00 a.m. onwards** – Registration
  - 8.30 a.m. – 8.40 a.m.** – Welcome Address – Director, PGIS
  - 8.40 a.m. – 8.45 a.m.** – Video Presentation: Former Directors of PGIS
  - 8.45 a.m. – 8.55 a.m.** – Address by the Dean, Faculty of Science
  - 8.55 a.m. – 9.05 a.m.** – Remarks by the Vice-Chancellor
  - 9.05 a.m. – 9.10 a.m.** – Video Presentation: Distinguished Alumni of PGIS
  - 9.10 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.** – Presentation of Certificates to the Best Performers of Academic Programmes
  - 9.30 a.m. – 9.40 a.m.** – Vote of thanks- President/YRF
- **10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.** : Career preparedness sessions covering CV writing, personal branding, and strategies for securing international scholarships (Venue: PGIS Conference Room)  
Coordinator – Dr. Erunika Dayaratne
- **11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** : Boards of Study Booth Exploration - One-on-one consultations with representatives from all 11 Boards of Study.
- **13:15 p.m. – 14:45 p.m.** : "The Research Path" Interactive Panel - Senior researchers and current MPhil and PhD students discuss the transition into postgraduate study (Venue: PGIS Conference Room)  
Coordinator – Dr. Kapila Wijyaratne
- **15:00 p.m. – 17:30 p.m.** : Presentations of research findings - Showcasing research by current PGIS grant holders  
Coordinator – PGIS Research Grant Committee and a representative from the RESCON 2026 Organizing Committee
  - 15:00 p.m. – 16:00 p.m.** : RESCON 2026 Pre-Conference Talk by Dr. Danushka Weerasekara - Ecology of Sambar (*Rusa unicolor unicolor*) in Horton Plains National Park, Sri Lanka
  - 16:00 p.m. – 17:30 p.m.** : Showcase of research carried out by the PGIS research grant holders– award appreciation certificates. (Venue: PGIS Conference Room)  
Coordinator: Dr. Niluka Rodrigo

**Day 2 : Saturday (13<sup>th</sup> June) | Target Audience: Working Professionals, External Stakeholders and Prospective Applicants**

- **08:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.** : Keynote: 30 Years of Research Impact - Celebrating key innovations and milestones, featuring distinguished alumni

Welcome Address and Opening Remarks for the Second Day of PGIS Open Day 2026 - Director, PGIS

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker - Prof. Kalinga Bandara, Chairman, Board of Study in Physics

Keynote speech - Prof. G.A.K.S.Perera

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- **10:30 a.m. – 13:00 a.m.** : Booth exploration/Open Exhibition - Research publication displays of the MSc, MPhil, and PhD students
- **13:30 p.m. – 15:00 p.m.** : Industry–Science Roundtable - Discussions on consultancy services and collaborative R&D opportunities. (Venue: PGIS Conference Room)  
Coordinator – Dr. Piyumali K. Perera
- **15:00 p.m. – 16:00 p.m.** : Booth exploration/Open Exhibition - Research publication displays of the MSc, MPhil, and PhD students

**Day 3 : Sunday (14<sup>th</sup> June) | Target Audience: current Masters, MSc, MPhil, and PhD candidates**

- **6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** (via Zoom) : Orientation Programme for current Masters, MSc, MPhil, and PhD candidates to introduce the latest edition of the PGIS Handbook

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