Course No: SLS 3006

Course Title: Sanskrit Literary Theory

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: None
Core/Optional: Core

Objectives:

To study the origin and its social background of Sanskrit literary theory

To analyze theoretical foundation/s of Sanskrit literary criticism

To evaluate Sanskrit influence on Sri Lankan literary critical traditions

Intended Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion the course, student will be able to

Comprehend the Eastern literary theories and aesthetic functions

Explain the influence of Sanskrit literary theories on Sinhala literature

Develop the analysis skills with the light of Eastern literary theoretical tradition

Time Allocation: (Hours): Supervised Independent Research: 300

Course Description

This course is an in-depth study of Sanskrit literary theory with close reference to every major school such as Rasa, Dhwani, Guna-reethi, Alankara, Auchithya. This course also examines the ways by which Sanskrit literary theory has influenced Sinhala literary culture.

Recommended Texts:

Sankaran, A. Some aspect of Literary Criticism in Sanskrit. Madras: University of Madras, 1926.

Sushil Kumar De. *Some problems of Sanskrit poetry*. Culcutta: Muchopadhyaya, 1959. Wijewardhana, Hemapala G. *Sanskrutha Kavya Vichara Muladharma*. Colombo: Gunasena, 1967.

| Assessment | Percentage Mark |
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| Continuous Assessment | 40 |
| (Assignments, Presentation, Examinations) | |
| End Semester Examination | 60 |