**Course Number and Name**  
HISE 102 The History of Sri Lanka from 1500 A.D. to the Present

**Intended Learning Outcomes**  
At the end of the course the students will be able to explain the impact of intervention of the colonial power in the sixteenth century Sri Lanka as a significant landmark and the unique characteristics of Portuguese, the Dutch and the British colonial phases with emphasis on their unique characteristics and the subsequent developments in post-colonial Sri Lanka.

**Course Contents**  
Advent of European colonialism; Portuguese power in Sri Lanka; Dutch colonial rule in Sri Lanka; mercantilist policies; arrival of the British; crown colony rule; subjugation of the Kandyan kingdom, Colebrooke-Cameron Reforms and the establishment of British rule; economic and social change in the nineteenth century; constitutional developments and the Whitehall mentality; transfer of power; negotiated passage to Independence; challenges of the post-independence era; post-colonial constitutional developments; ethnic conflict.

**Assessment Strategy**  
i. Time of Assessment - End of the Year  
ii. Assessment Method - Written examination  
Assigned percentage of marks for each component - 100%

**Recommended References**  