



NIROSHA DILHANI KAPU ARACHCHILAGE

Dr Niroscha Dilhani Kapu Arachchilage is presently the coordinator and class teacher of the most senior class of our Community Sinhala Language School in Perth. Dilhani joined Perth Sinhala School (PSS) in 2008 initially as the teacher of most junior class and since 2009 she has undertaken a leading role as the coordinator of the School to promote Sinhalese language and culture from generation to generation. Under her academic leadership she introduced a formal curriculum to our language school and established a constructive alignment model to match learning outcome with teaching strategies and assessments of the School. She is coordinating aesthetic workshops and School concerts in addition to routine academic work of the School and has initiated number of programs and language-based activities including “Muthu Keta” Student Association. During her tenure as the coordinator, she connected PSS with number of government bodies, councils and numerous multicultural organizations to provide more opportunities for children. Dilhani guides PSS students to take Year 12 Sinhala Examination offered in WA as an interstate offering leading to 10% LOTE Bonus in ATAR calculations.

Since 2007, she works as a Lecturer in Accounting in the School of Business and Law of Edith Cowan University (ECU), Western Australia. Dilhani is also the Course Coordinator in Accounting and manages both undergraduate and postgraduate accounting courses offered by ECU. Before moving to Perth, she worked as an accounting academia in the Department of Accounting, University of Sri Jayewardenepura for nearly 7 years. She has also engaged continuously in doing research relating to the areas of accounting and finance education, auditing practices, sustainability reporting, management controls, business strategies and corporate governance. Dilhani also had the opportunity to hold various administrative positions and doing consultancies for organisations both in Australia and in Sri Lanka.



She obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka and completed her Masters of Business Administration with Accounting Specialization in Postgraduate Institute of Management (PIM), Sri Lanka. In 2011 she completed her PhD in Accounting at ECU, Western Australia.

She is a member of Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA), UK; Certified Management Accountants (CMA), Australia; Certified Public Accountants (CPA), Australia; Institute of Chartered Accountants Sri Lanka; and Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT), Sri Lanka. She is also a member of the executive committee of Community Languages Western Australia, a consultative committee member of South Metropolitan TAFE, Western Australia and a member of community grants program assessment panel of the Office of Multicultural Interests, WA. At present she leads Perth 'Muthuhara' Children Society affiliated to Sri Lankan National Television Corporation as the chief organizer of the Society while extending her community service as the Perth Reporter of SBS Sinhala Radio, Australia.

Dilhani lives in Perth with her lovely husband, who also has a great passion towards promoting Sinhalese language and culture among Sri Lankan children, and two daughters named Siluni and Sehansa. She enjoys Sri Lankan music and dancing while compering in Sri Lankan community events during her leisure time. She also loves to network with community members having diverse ethnic backgrounds.

