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Personal statement

I am an energetic and determined doctor who has not only been a high academic achiever, but also an accomplished sportsman and a researcher. My interests span from surgery to automobiles and research to performing arts. I believe I am blessed with an optimistic, cheerful and a persevering disposition. I am essentially a team player while being able to make quick independent decisions when needed. I believe that a job worth doing is a job worth doing well. I bring with me my honesty, vigour, creativity, responsibility and, of course, my sense of humour.

Postgraduate education (ref Page 2)

- Ranked first in order of merit at the selection exam in Surgery held in January 2013 and the MD (Surgery) part II examination held in July / August 2016. I received the best performer's award in both these examinations.
- Received the Post-Graduate Institute of Medicine Gold Medal for the Best MD Student for the year 2016.
- Successfully completed the Intercollegiate MRCS examination conducted by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Undergraduate education (ref Page 2)

- Graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo with 1st class honours in 2009, topped my batch and was awarded 5 distinctions and 7 medals including the student of the year and the university prize for general merit.
- Ranked 2nd in the order of merit of all graduates of Sri Lanka in 2009.

Primary and secondary education (ref Page 4)

- Educated at Nalanda College, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- Ranked 11th in the country at G.C.E A/L exam in 2002.

Research experience / Publications (ref Page 6)

- 35 full text publications including 27 in indexed journals (26 as the first author), 3 books, 2 book chapters.
- 32 oral and 67 poster presentations in both local and international fora.
- Received the Sri Lanka National Research Council merit award for research for 2011, 2013 and 2015.
- Delivered the R. A. Navaratne oration of the College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka in August 2015.
- Authored several articles in health-related magazines and booklets.
- Successfully completed a research degree (Part-time) at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo in August 2016 on obstetric anal sphincter injuries.
- Serve in the editorial team of the Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery from 2014.

Work experience (ref Page 5)

- Involved in curriculum development, teaching and assessment of medical and allied health service trainees, as well as organizing academic and extra-curricular activities.
- Completed a post-graduate certificate course in medical education.
- Head of the Audio-Video unit.

Proficiency in English (ref Page 3)

- IELTS – Overall band score – 8.5, Test report form number – 16LK013698WICD001A

Other achievements (ref Page 22)

- Awarded several competitive scholarships / grants by both local and foreign agencies.
- Received university colours for tennis for several years and won awards in both standard and Latin Ballroom dancing.

TERTIARY EDUCATION

Tertiary Education : Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo
Passed the cumulative MBBS with **First Class Honours**.

Examination results :

- Passed the IBSS with a **1st class** (Introductory Basic Sciences Stream, equivalent to 2nd MB)
- Passed the Applied Sciences Stream with a **1st Class**.
- Passed the Cumulative Clinical Sciences stream with a **1st class**.

Placed second in order of merit among all medical graduates for 2009 in Sri Lanka

Academic achievements as an undergraduate :

- **Distinction in Anatomy.** *One of the four students in the batch to receive this.*
- **Distinction in Physiology** with the **Prof. K.N Seneviratne prize** awarded to the student who obtains the highest mark at the physiology distinction examination. *The only student in the batch to receive the Physiology distinction.*
- **Distinction in Pharmacology** with the following medals.
 - **Senaka Bibile prize** - highest marks in rational drug use component.
 - **N.S.O Mendis gold medal** - highest marks in the clinical pharmacology component.
 - **Mylopulle silver medal.**

The only student in the batch to receive the distinction.

- **Distinction in Clinical Medicine.** *One of the three students to receive the distinction.*
- **Distinction in Obstetrics and Gynaecology** with the **Professor S.S. Ratnam book token for Gynaecology.**
One of the four students to receive the distinction.
- **Sumanawathie De Costa Jubilee medal for the best student 2009** (AL 2002 batch of medical students).
- **Canekeratne prize for general merit** - *This is awarded to the undergraduate demonstrating the highest order of excellence in academic studies, sportsmanship, interest in aesthetic and cultural activities, leadership and exemplary conduct and character, after considering graduates of all faculties of University of Colombo at the General Convocation 2009.*

POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

Surgery

I was placed **first in the order of merit** among the candidates who passed the MD (Surgery) part I examination held in January / February 2013 and received the following awards for my performance.

- **Dr P R Anthonis Gold Medal for Basic Sciences in Surgery** awarded to the candidate obtaining the highest marks.
- **Prof. P S S Panditharathne Gold Medal for Anatomy**

I was placed **first in the order of merit** among the candidates who passed the MD (Surgery) part II examination held in July / August 2016 and received the following awards for my performance in the above examination.

- **Virasapillai Gabriel Memorial Gold Medal for General Surgery** awarded to the candidate obtaining the highest marks.
- **Dr M.H. De Zoysa award** awarded to the best performer in the theory component.

I received the PGIM **Gold Medal for the Best MD Student for the year 2016.**

I have completed the **intercollegiate MRCS** part A in April 2013 (Candidate ID – 9060326, Result – Pass, Score – 237/264) and Part B in August 2016 (Candidate number 139, Applied knowledge 141/160, Applied skills 179/200). I am a **member of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh** since November 2016 (Number 142418).

Research

I completed a part-time Doctor of Medicine (D.M.) degree by research at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo in 2016. The research was titled “The short and medium-term effect of vaginal delivery on the morphology and physiology of the anal sphincter “.

Teaching

I completed a post-graduate certificate course in medical education, conducted by the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo in 2017.

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

School Attended : *Nalanda College – Colombo 10*

Secondary Education :

- G.C.E (Advanced Level) Exam – 2002 - “**A**” **Grade for all subjects** (*Biology, Chemistry, and Physics*).
Colombo District Rank – 7 *All Island Rank – 11*
- G.C.E (Ordinary Level) Exam – 1999 - Distinction for all subjects

Special achievements :

- **Best Student** – Bio Section – 2002 - *Recipient of the Peter Danthanarayana trophy.*
- **Best All-Round Student** – Primary Section 1994 - *Recipient of the Hema Senadeera memorial trophy.*
- Initiated and published the annual bulletin “The Revelation” and Tri-monthly bulletin “The Facets Gazette” during the tenure as the Editor for the Interact Club of Nalanda College. Won the Award “Best Publication” of the year 2000/01 among 120 Interact Clubs in District 3220 (Sri Lanka).
- School Junior Prefect in 1999/2000

OTHER EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Proficiency in English :

Passed the following exams held by the University of Cambridge through the British Council.

- IELTS – Listening- 9, Reading – 9, Writing- 7.5, Speaking – 9, **Overall band score – 8.5**, Test report form number – 16LK013698WICD001A (Exam date- 10th December 2016)
- CAE (Cambridge Advanced English) **Grade A** (June 2000)
- FCE (First Certificate in English) **Grade B**

MEMBERSHIPS OF SOCIETIES / PROFESSIONAL BODIES

1. Sri Lanka Medical Association – Life member since 2015
2. Sri Lanka Society of Gastroenterology – Member Since 2016
3. Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh – Member since 2016
4. College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka – Senior affiliate member since 2017
5. The Society for Surgery of the Alimentary tract – Candidate member since 2017
6. American Society of Clinical Oncology – Member in training since 2017
7. Association of Minimal Access Surgeons of India – Fellow since 2017
8. American College of Surgeons – Associate Fellow since 2020

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1. 3rd August 2019 to date – Consultant Surgeon, National Hospital of Sri Lanka.
2. 30th October 2019 to date – Senior Lecturer in Surgery at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo
3. 1st October 2018 – 25th October 2019 – Surgical research fellow, St. Mark’s Hospital, London, UK.
4. 5th December 2017 – 30th September 2018 – Honorary Clinical Fellow, St. Mark’s Hospital, London, UK.
5. 1st October 2013 to 29th October 2019 - Lecturer in surgery at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo.
6. 2011 November – September 2013 – Lecturer in Surgery, Sir John Kotelawala Defence University, Ratmalana, Sri Lanka.
7. 2011 May – 2011 October – Relief House Officer, University Surgical Unit, National Hospital of Sri Lanka (with Prof. D.N. Samarasekera).
8. 2010 November – 2011 May – House Officer, University Surgical Unit, National Hospital of Sri Lanka (with Prof. D.N. Samarasekera).
9. 2010 May – 2010 November - House Officer, University Medical Unit, National Hospital of Sri Lanka (with Prof. S. Rajapakse).
10. 2009 July – 2010 May – Research Assistant, University Surgical Unit, National Hospital of Sri Lanka (with Prof. D.N. Samarasekera).

ACADEMIC DUTIES AND EXPERIENCE

1. Conducting tutorials and lectures for undergraduate medical students in Anatomy and Surgery.
2. Medical student assessment, planning and preparing anatomy spot/dissection assessment and exam invigilation.
3. I designed and coordinated the introductory course for the first-year students at KDU.
4. Resource person in lectures and workshops for nurses and doctors, both local and overseas.

ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES AND EXPERIENCE

1. Head of the Audio-Video, Faculty of Medicine unit since August 2020.
2. Convenor of the Trauma module, Faculty of Medicine since October 2020.
3. Planning lecture and clinical schedules for Undergraduates.
4. As an academic of the University, I have been actively involved in planning the Teaching Hospital KDU.
5. Coordinator of the Certificate course in Stoma care for nurses on behalf of the Ministry of Health and Nutrition in 2012.

OTHER DUTIES AND EXPERIENCE

1. Honorary consultant surgeon at the National Hospital of Sri Lanka since March 2020. My duties include the following.
 - a. Inpatient and outpatient care for patients with general and gastro intestinal surgical disease
 - b. Endoscopy, capsule endoscopy, upper and lower GI manometry, Endoanal ultrasound, 24hour pH monitoring
 - c. Participating in MDTs on malignancies, pelvic floor dysfunction
 - d. Undergraduate and postgraduate teaching
 - e. Research supervision
2. I maintain a health education video channel on YouTube, which includes videos in both English and Sinhala, on common surgical diseases and conditions. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwz548qdfHGTjvb1mUU5B0w>
3. I have been in organizing committees of various university functions like the Convocation, KDU ball and staff get-together.
4. I initiated and conducted social dancing lessons for staff members of KDU.
5. I was a member of the committee supervising Music and Dancing club, General Sir John Kotalawela Defence University.

RESEARCH

Orations

I received the Prof. R. A. Navaratne gold medal for the oration delivered at the College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka annual academic sessions in August 2015 on “The short and medium-term effects of vaginal delivery on the anal sphincter function”.

Research Awards

1. National Research Council merit award for research for 2011, 2013 and 2015.
2. P R Anthonis Research Award awarded for the best two publications in peer-reviewed journals authored by Sri Lankan surgical trainees in the previous calendar year, awarded by the College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka. I received both awards in 2015 and one award in 2016.
3. Best Clinical presentation at the XXVI Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons. 4-7th September 2014, Cape Town, South Africa.

Editorial experience

I serve in the editorial team of the Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery from 2014. It is the official journal of the Sri Lanka College of Surgeons. (<http://sljs.sljol.info/>)

I have been a peer-reviewer for the following journals.

- Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Oncology
- BMC Cancer
- BMC Gastroenterology
- BMC Surgery
- BMC Urology
- Malaysian Journal of Medicine and Health Sciences
- Nature Scientific Reports
- Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery

Published full-text articles

TOTAL = 35 (27 INDEXED, 8 PEER-REVIEWED NON-INDEXED)

Articles published in indexed journals

1. COVIDSurg Collaborative, GlobalSurg Collaborative, [SARS-CoV-2 vaccination modelling for safe surgery to save lives: data from an international prospective cohort study](#), British Journal of Surgery, 2021; <https://doi.org/10.1093/bjs/znab101>
2. **Dakshitha P Wickramasinghe**, Chrisjit Xavier, Dharmabandhu N Samarasekera. [The worldwide epidemiology of acute appendicitis: An analysis of the Global Health Data Exchange dataset](#). World Journal of Surgery 2021. 45, 1999–2008. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00268-021-06077-5>
3. COVIDSurg Collaborative. [Timing of surgery following SARS-CoV-2 infection: an international prospective cohort study](#). Anaesthesia 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1111/anae.15458>

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5. **Dakshitha Wickramasinghe**, Nilanka Wickramasinghe, Sohan Anjana Kamburugamuwa, Carukshi Arambepola, Dharmabandhu N Samarasekera. [Correlation between immunity from BCG and the morbidity and mortality of COVID-19](#). Tropical Diseases, Travel Medicine and Vaccines 10.21203/rs.3.rs-29399/v2
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9. **Dakshitha Wickramasinghe**, Janindra Warusavitarne. [The role of the mesentery in reducing recurrence after surgery in Crohns disease](#). Updates in Surgery 2019
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11. **Dakshitha Praneeth Wickramasinghe**, Umesh Jayarajah and Dharmabandhu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Duration taken for the anal sphincter pressures to stabilize prior to anorectal manometry](#). BMC Research notes 2018 11:354
12. **Dakshitha Praneeth Wickramasinghe**, Supun Senaratne, Hemantha Senanayake, Dharmabandu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Three dimensional endoanal ultrasound features of the anal sphincter in Asian primi grvida](#). Journal of Ultrasound in Medicine. 2018 Apr 17. doi: 10.1002/jum.14640. [Epub ahead of print]
13. Umesh Jayarajah, **Dakshitha Praneeth Wickramasinghe** and Dharmabandhu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Anal incontinence and quality of life following operative treatment of simple cryptoglandular fistula-in-ano: a prospective study](#). BMC Research notes. 7th November 2017, 2017 10:572. doi:10.1186/s13104-017-2895-z
14. **Dakshitha Praneeth Wickramasinghe**, Supun Senaratne, Hemantha Senanayake, Dharmabandu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Effect of vaginal delivery on the anal sphincter function in Asian primigravida: a prospective study](#). International Urogynecology Journal. 2016 Sep;27(9):1375-81. doi: 10.1007/s00192-016-2986-8
15. **Dakshitha P Wickramasinghe**, Dharmabandhu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Incidence of Oesophageal cancer in Sri Lanka: Analysis of the cancer registry data and comparison with other South Asian populations](#). Asia-Pacific Journal of Clinical Oncology. 2016 Mar 31. doi: 10.1111/ajco.12481. [Epub ahead of print]
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17. **D. P. Wickramasinghe**, C. S. Perera, H. Senanayaka, D. N. Samarasekera. [Three-Dimensional Anorectal Manometry Findings in Primigravida](#). Digestive Diseases and Sciences (DOI 10.1007/s10620-015-3784-8, December 2015, Volume 60, Issue 12, pp 3764-3770)

18. **Dakshitha Praneeth Wickramasinghe**, Sanjeev F Samaranayaka, Chamila Lakmal, Sashi Mathotaarachchi, Chula Kanishka Lal, Chathuranga Keppitiyagama, Dharmabandu Nandadeva Samarasekera. [Types and patterns of colonic polyps encountered at a tertiary care center in a developing country in South Asia](#). Analytical Cellular Pathology, vol. 2014, Article ID 248142, 4 pages, 2014. doi:10.1155/2014/248142
19. **Wickramasinghe DP**, Perera CS, Senaratne S, Samarasekera DN. [Patterns and trends of medical student research](#). BMC Medical Education 2013, **13**:175
20. Perera J, Peiris V, **Wickramasinghe DP**, De Zoysa I. [Predictors in breast cancer screening behaviors of South Asian women](#). Asia-Pacific Journal of Clinical Oncology. doi: 10.1111/ajco.12168
21. **Wickramasinghe DP**, Samarasekera DN. [Splenic infarction and spontaneous rupture in a patient with paratyphoid](#). Ceylon Medical Journal. 2012 Sep; 57(3):130-1.
22. **Wickramasinghe DP**, Samarasekera DN. [Intestinal helminths detected in capsule endoscopy](#). Dig Endosc. 2012;24:388.
23. **Wickramasinghe D**, Samarasekera D. [A comparison of endoanal ultrasound \(EAUS\) and computed tomography \(CT\) in staging rectal cancer and in clinical decision making – A preliminary study](#). Ceylon Medical Journal. 2012 Mar; 57(1):33-5.
24. **Wickramasinghe D**, Samarasekera D. [Factors influencing the approaches to studying of preclinical and clinical students and postgraduate trainees](#). BMC Medical Education. [10.1186/1472-6920-11-22]. 2011;11(1):22.
25. **Wickramasinghe DP**, Samarasekera DN. [Patterns of approaches to studying of pre-clinical, clinical and post graduate students from a setting in a developing country in Asia](#). Med Teach. 2011;33(4):340.
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27. Simpson B, Dissanayake VH, **Wickramasinghe D**, Jayasekara RW. [Prenatal testing and pregnancy termination in Sri Lanka: views of medical students and doctors](#). Ceylon Med J. 2003 Dec;48(4):129-32.

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29. **DP Wickramasinghe**, IS Almeida, DN Samarasekera. [Depression and stressful life events among medical students during undergraduate career: Findings from a medical school in South Asia](#). The Asia Pacific Scholar 2019, 4(1), 42-47.
30. **D. Wickramasinghe**, J. Warusavitarne. [The evolution of anorectal manometry](#). International Journal of Medicine and Medical Research. 2018, volume 4, Issue 1, p. 5-7.
31. **DP Wickramasinghe**, AMP Samarasekera, S Senaratne, CS Perera, A Tissera, DN Samarasekera. [Establishment of a stoma care training program for nurses in Sri Lanka and evaluation of its effectiveness](#). Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery. 2015; 33(1): 4-8.
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33. **D.P. Wickramasinghe**, D.N.Samarasekera. [A patient with Turcot Syndrome presenting with carcinoma of the rectum and a history of brain tumour](#). The Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery 2010; 28(2):19-21.
34. I.N. Gunarathna **D.P. Wickramasinghe**, D.N. Samarasekera. [The preferences and factors affecting participation in continuing Medical Education \(CME\) among surgeons and postgraduate surgical trainees in a tertiary care hospital setting](#). The Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery 2010; 28(2):15-18.

35. **Wickramasinghe DP**, Samarasekera DN. The approach to studying among medical students from different districts in Sri Lanka, *Jaffna Medical Journal* 2010 **1**:24-27

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37. Wimalachandra M, Seneviratne R, **Wickramasinghe D**. Editorial: Is the grass always greener on the other side? *Student Medical Journal* 2010 **2**: 1
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5. **D. Wickramasinghe**, S. Adegbola, K. Sahnan, M. Lantaro & J. Warusavitarne. Ileostomy reversal following surgery for Crohns disease is unaffected by smoking, open surgery or peri-anal disease – a tertiary centre experience. *Colorectal disease*, Volume 20, Issue S4.
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10. **Dakshitha Wickramasinghe**, Praveen V Dayasena, Pragathi L Weerakkody, Sanjeewa Seneviratne, Dharmabandhu N Samarasekera. Socio-Demographic Determinants of Quality of Life in Rectal Cancer Patients in Sri Lanka. *Gastroenterology*. Volume 154, Issue 6. May 2018. Page S-1354.
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2. Wickramasinghe D., Warusavitarne J. (2019) [The Management of Patients with Dysplasia in the Anal Transitional Zone](#). In: Hyman N., Fleshner P., Strong S. (eds) Mastery of IBD Surgery. Springer International Publishing.
3. D. P. Wickramasinghe, D. N. Samarasekera. Colon. SAARC textbook of surgery (In Print).

Books

Patient information books

1. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
What is an anal fistula? (English)
ISBN: 978-955-8463-01-7
2. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
What is an anal fistula? (Sinhala)
ISBN: 978-955-8463-02-4
3. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
What are haemorrhoids? (English)
ISBN: 978-955-0460-17-5
4. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
What are haemorrhoids? (Sinhala)
ISBN: 978-955-0460-18-2

Textbooks for doctors

5. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Fernandopulle N., Samarasekera D.N.
A step-by-step guide to capsule endoscopy (In Print)
ISBN : 978-624-96136-0-3
6. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
A step-by-step guide to oesophageal manometry
ISBN : 978-624-96136-1-4 (In Print)
7. **Wickramasinghe D.P.**, Samarasekera D.N.
A step-by-step guide to anorectal manometry
ISBN : 978-624-96136-2-1 (In Print)

Newspaper articles

1. Gunarathna N, Wickramasinghe D.P., Samarasekera D.N. What are haemorrhoids (Sinhala). “Vaidyavaraya”, 2010 16:10
2. Wickramasinghe D.P., Samarasekera D.N. Oral and oesophageal cancer (Sinhala). “Vaidyavaraya”, 2010 16:3
3. Dakshitha Wickramasinghe and Dineshani Hettiarachchi – Colorectal Cancer: Early detection saves lives. The Morning. 2020-11-1
4. Dakshitha Wickramasinghe. ආහාර මාර්ගයේ ගැටළු සොයාදෙන එන්ඩස්කොපි පරීක්ෂණ (Endoscopy to evaluate your digestive track) 2020-11-25
5. Dakshitha Wickramasinghe. මහ අන්ත්‍රය පරීක්ෂා කරන එන්ඩස්කොපි (Endoscopy to evaluate your large intestine). අරෝග්‍යා. 2020-12-09

Television, radio and other media

1. Invited speaker at the “Nuga sewana” health promotion programme on Rupawahini, in January 2021 on Endoscopy. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MUq8ivY0Bu4&t=1s>
2. Invited speaker on Katha Ministry health discussion programme on V FM, in February 2021 on the management of hernia. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-QRY63pCTSw&t=314s>

Resource person in Continuous Professional Development programmes

1. Resource person in an international collaborative training program for a group of nurses from Bangladesh in 2017, conducted at the National Hospital of Sri Lanka.
2. Resource person at an advanced Gastro-Intestinal investigations workshop in Kathmandu, Nepal in July 2017. The workshop included upper and lower gastro-Intestinal Physiology testing, capsule endoscopy and pH impedance testing.
3. Resource person at a seminar on Capsule Endoscopy conducted at the United Hospital Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh in August 2017.
4. Resource person for a workshop at the Banglabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (Bangladesh) on Capsule Endoscopy in August 2017.
5. Resource person in teaching and training several groups of nurses from different hospitals, conducted at the National Hospital of Sri Lanka.
6. Resource person for the Post-Basic College of Nursing and taught graduate (registered) nurses in December 2016.
7. I was a resource person for the School of Nursing, Colombo in teaching the undergraduate nurses in 2017. The areas taught included breast diseases and the management of burn.
8. Invited Speaker at the Abdominal Wall Reconstruction workshop at St. Mark’s hospital, London, UK in 2018, lecture on anatomy of the abdominal wall.
9. Resource person at the Annual Academic Sessions of the College of General Practitioners in March 2021.
10. Invited speaker at the symposium on "Surgical infections in the general practice", held on 27th May 2021. <https://www.facebook.com/MedentiSL/videos/4235299776508680>

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Individual Scholarships / Grants

1. Travel grant to participate in the Asia Pacific Digestive Week 2020, December 2020, Kolkata, India.
2. Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeons of Asia (ELSA) mini-fellowship for minimal access surgical training in Japan, October 2020.
3. Travel grant to participate in the United European Digestive Week 2019, October 2019, Barcelona, Spain.
4. Travel grant to participate in the Asia Pacific Digestive Week 2018, November 2018, Seoul, Korea.
5. Travel award to participate at the 4th International Quality of Life Conference, April 2017, Brussels, Belgium.
6. A bursary to attend the Asia Pacific Medical Education Conference (APMEC) 14, January 2017, Singapore.
7. Fellowship Grant to attend the ECCO2017 European Cancer Congress, in Amsterdam, the Netherlands from 27-30 January 2017.
8. World Congress of endoscopic surgery (WCES) travel grant to attend the WCES 2016 in Shanghai, China, 9-12 November 2016.
9. Asia Pacific Digestive Week / Journal of gastroenterology and hepatology foundation travel grant to attend APDW 2016, Kobe, Japan. 2-5 November 2016.
10. 7th Australia Asia-Pacific Clinical Oncology Research Development (ACORD) workshop fellowship. Sydney, Australia. 11-16 September 2016.
11. National Science Foundation international travel grant – September 2014 to attend XXVI Biennial Congress of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons. 4-7th September 2014, Cape Town, South Africa.
12. GASTRO 2013 Young Clinicians Program scholarship, Shanghai, China, September 2013.
13. Grant to attend the Asia Pacific Medical Education Conference (APMEC) 10 – February 2013, Singapore.
14. United European Gastroenterology Week 2011 International scholarship for the UEGW conference 2011, Stockholm, Sweden 22-26th October 2011.
15. Movement Disorder Society travel grant for 12th Annual Movement Disorder Congress, Chicago, IL 22-26th June 2008.
16. IRQUE travel grant 2008 (IRQUE – Improving Relevance and Quality of Undergraduate Education, <http://www.irque.lk/>) to attend the 12th annual movement disorder congress, Chicago, IL. 22-26th June 2008.
17. Senaka Bibile memorial award awarded by the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Cooperation (SPMC) to the student obtaining the highest marks at the pharmacology distinction exam.
18. Senaka Bibile memorial scholarship awarded by the State Pharmaceutical Cooperation (SPC) to the student obtaining the highest marks at the pharmacology distinction exam.

Research grants

1. Co-investigator in the project “The short and medium-term effects of vaginal delivery on the anal sphincter function“ which received the University of Colombo research grant AP/3/2.
2. Co-investigator in the project “Efficacy and cost-effectiveness of Clinical Breast Examination (CBE) vs Mammography in the screening of breast cancer in Sri Lanka” which received the University Grants Commission research grant.
3. Co-investigator for the 2015 infrastructure development grant awarded by the University of Colombo to the GI physiology laboratory of the Department of Surgery, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo.

4. Co-investigator for 2017 small research grant awarded by the University of Colombo to the Department of Surgery for the project “the use of colorectal cancer-specific patient-reported outcome measures to predict survival”.

National Level achievements

- Became a **semi-finalist** at the Inter-School Open Competition on “**IT Quiz**” conducted by CINTEC and Rupavahini (National Television) in 1999.
- Received a **Gold Medal** for achieving the **highest marks in Science** in the International Examination held by the University of New South Wales for G.C.E. O/L students in 1999.
- Was awarded the “**Best Performer**” plaque for achieving the **highest marks in Sri Lanka** in the International examination held by the Royal Australian Chemistry Institute (RACI) for A/L students, in 2001.

Sports Achievements

- Represented the school in Tennis for the age groups 14, 16, 18 and 20.
- Represented Dehiwela Cosmopolitan Sports Club for Tennis Tournament in 2001 (Runners up – Interclub Doubles)
- Represented the University of Colombo in Tennis for the years 2003-2004 (All Island Runners Up) and 2004-2005, 2005-2006 (All Island champions) and received University colours

Other Achievements

- **Winner** - Beginner level **Ballroom** category at Ballroom Dancesport Championship 2010.
- **2nd runner up** – Beginner level **Latin** category at Ballroom Dancesport Championship 2010.