

CHOICE OF THE SUBJECTS AT GCE "A" LEVEL
EXAMINATION BY LAW STUDENTS

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In Sri Lanka Law Degree is 4 years duration. Students entering the course has to obtain at least a credit pass in English at G.C.E. "A" Level in addition to the general admission requirements laid down by the UGC. Students from any of the four subject streams (Arts, Commerce, Biological Science and Physical Science) has the chance of selection.

For the academic year 1990/91, students selected were from three subject streams, Arts (69%), Commerce (24%) and Biological Science (7%). No students were admitted from the Physical Science subject stream. 52% of the students selected were males.

The study is aimed at determining the significance of the academic stream and gender in the selection to the University. In addition the study will focus on subjects offered by the Arts students and their pass rates as they have a wide choice of 49 subjects to select the four necessary for the examination. It will also determine the choice of the 4th subject by Commerce students as they have to offer 3 compulsory subjects (Accountancy, Commerce and Finance and Economics).

Data pertaining to the students selected for academic years 1987/88 to 1990/91 will be used for the analysis.