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Education Qualification

- PhD in Peace and Coexistence, University of Hiroshima, Japan, March 2013
- Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education with Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA) Teacher Accreditation (UK) – Staff Development Centre, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2010
- MA in Peace and Coexistence, University of Hiroshima, Japan, 2009
- Diploma in Advance Training on Child Rights and Classroom and School Management, Lund University, Sweden November 2006
- Postgraduate Diploma in Archeology (Distinction Pass), Postgraduate Institute of Archeology, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka 2006
- B.A Second-Class Honors (Upper Division) in Modern History, University of Colombo, 1999

Demonstrated Abilities

Currently

- **Senior Lecturer (Grade II)**
Department of International Relations,
University of Colombo
Colombo
(From April 2009 to date)
- **Director of Studies**
Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo
(From August 2017 to July 2018)
- **Study Stream Coordinator**
Conflict Resolution and Peace,
Department of international Relations,
University of Colombo
(From January 2015 to date)
- **Coordinator**
Certificate Course in Conflict Resolution and Peace,
Department of International Relations,
University of Colombo
(From January 2015 to date)
- **Senior Treasurer/Adviser**
Leo Club of University of Colombo, Faculty of Arts
(From 2017 to date)
- **Team Leader/Supervisor – Monitoring and Evaluation**
Action Aid in Sri Lanka
Sri Lanka
(From January 2007 to February 2007)
- **Child Protection Protocol Officer and Advocator**
Save the Children in Sri Lanka
58A, Horton Place,
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Sri Lanka

(From May 2005 to May 2006)

- **Project Coordinator**

Centre for the Study of Human Rights (CSHR)

University of Colombo

(From 2003 January to April 2005)

- **Visiting Lecturer**

Institute of Human Resource Advancement (IHRA),

University of Colombo

(From 2003 February to date)

- **Research Assistant**

Institute of Workers Education,

University of Colombo,

(From May 2002 to December 2002)

- **Assistant Lecturer**

Department of History & International Relations,

University of Colombo

(From July 2000 to April 2002)

Selected Publications

- Balasooriya, Ajith, March 2013. Issues at Own Backyard: Caste Based Socio-Economic Inequalities as “Unseen Hurdles” in Post-conflict Northern Sri Lanka in *Journal of International Development and Cooperation*, Graduate School for International Development and Cooperation, Hiroshima University
- Balasooriya, Ajith, October 2012. “Unseen Boundaries” in Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in Sri Lanka: Tamil Caste System and Its Socio-Economic Effects to (Re)build the War-torn Northern Peninsula, International Conference on Conflict

Studies: The New Generation of Ideas, UMass Boston Graduate Programs in Conflict Resolution, Department of Conflict Resolution, Human Security, and Global Governance, University of Massachusetts Boston

- Balasooriya, Ajith, September 2012. “Tamil Caste based Socio-Economic Inequalities as “Unseen Boundaries” in Post-conflict Positive Peacebuilding in Northern Sri Lanka”, 2nd Annual International Conference on Political Science, Sociology and International Relations (PSSIR 2012), Bali, Indonesia
- Balasooriya, Ajith, 2012. “Search for Common Grounds: Tamil Caste System as “A Spoiler” in Post-conflict Peacebuilding in Northern Sri Lanka”, *IPSHU English Research Report Series*, No.26, Peacebuilding and the Ownership of Local Society in Sri Lanka, pp.72-93, Institute for Peace Science, Hiroshima University
- Balasooriya, Ajith, 2012. “Towards Positive Peace: Government of Sri Lanka’s Post-Conflict Peacebuilding Efforts” in *Journal of International Development and Cooperation*, Vol.18, No.3 pp.17-30, Graduate School for International Development and Cooperation, Hiroshima University
- Balasooriya, Ajith, 2011. “Sri Lanka Post-conflict Peacebuilding Efforts and Prospects for Positive Peace” in *Journal of Conflict and Peace Studies*, Vol.4 Jul-Sep, No 3, pp. 81-98, Pak Institute for Peace Studies, Islamabad, Pakistan

- Balasooriya, Ajith, 2011. “Towards Sustainable Peace: Government of Sri Lanka as the Primary Representative in Post-Conflict Peace-building Efforts”, in International Conference on Sustainable Development 2011, Putrajaya, Malaysia.
- Balasooriya, Ajith, 2011. “Winner Takes All”: Opportunities and Challenges to the Government of Sri Lanka in Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in International Association for Conflict Management (IACM) Annual Conference, Istanbul, Turkey

Book Published

- Balasooriya, Ajith (2021) *Legacy of Palmyra The Victims of Dual Horizontal Inequalities in Northern Sri Lanka*, Author Publication
- Balasooriya Ajith (2020) *THAL GASAKA URUMAYA: THITHWA THIRAS ASMANATHAWAYE VINDITHAYAN U UTHURE VASIYOO (Shinhala)*

Field Experience

- Field Officer and Oversea Intern, The project of Sustainable Development of Environment Management, ICLEI, Southeast Office, Atheneo de Manila University, Manila, The Philippines
(From June 2008 to September 2008)
- Supervisor, Evaluation and Monitoring, Action Aid Sri Lanka
(From January 2007 to February 2007)
- Senior Researcher – Southern Province, Child Rights in Children whose Parents in Prison, A Key Research for

UNICEF, conducted by Loving Friends International,
Colombo, Sri Lanka

(From July 2006 to September 2006)

International Research Award

- Asian Universities Alliance Scholars Award, Yangon University, Myanmar
Asian Universities Alliance Scholars Awards Programme 2020-2023
- Yahata Postgraduate Scholarship, Yahata Foundation, Hiroshima, Japan, April 2010-March 2013
- Kumahira Postgraduate Scholarship, Kumahira Foundation, Hiroshima, Japan, from April 2008 to March 2009

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