**Course Code**  ARCH  E2025*  
(Optional to E2035)

**Type/Status**  Core

**Title**  Epigraphy and Numismatics

**Learning Outcome:**  Having completed this unit, the student will be able to demonstrate an understanding of application in Epigraphy and Numismatics.

**Course Content:**  Origin of the Alphabet. Early Brahmi script in India and Sri Lanka. Paleographical development of the Brahmi script into Sinhala script. Epigraphical survey on ancient Sri Lankan inscriptions. Early exchange systems and the origin of coinage. A detailed study on Ancient coins of Sri Lanka and India.

**Method of Teaching and Learning:**  
Lectures, seminars, tutorials, assignments, study guides

**Scheme of Evaluation:**  
End of semester written examination, assignment

**Recommended Reading:**

*Epigraphy Zeylanica (Vol.I and I)*. (1972). Colombo: Archaeological Survey Department,  
*Inscriptions of Ceylon (Vol I and II)*. Colombo: Archaeological Survey Dpt.,