"The PGIA was established in June 1975 as the first institute of postgraduate education of its kind in the country. The main objective of creating the PGIA was to develop an in-country capacity for postgraduate education in agriculture and to provide appropriately trained scientific personnel to a rapidly expanding agricultural sector of the country."

VISION
To be a regional centre of excellence in postgraduate education and research in agriculture and related fields to serve the needs of the country, industry and the global community.

MISSION
To serve as a centre for postgraduate education & research and impart an academically sound practically-oriented training through high-quality teaching and research, and produce competent, innovative and committed professionals who will make a positive contribution to agriculture and allied fields.

Inaugurated PGIA Annual Congress
Open to any postgraduate student and special concessions are provided to those from the SAARC countries. Having conducted this past 30 years, its scope has been expanded to other activities such as public discussions on nationally important topics. An excellent forum for scientific interactions and to develop partnerships with the industry.

Establishment of new class room complex
The PGIA has been able construct its own buildings and state of the art facilities including classrooms, computer centers and a library.

PGIA thesis go online
Preserves and enables easy and open access to all types of digital content.

Opening of PGIA Colombo Branch
The Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture opened a branch at the Sri Lanka Foundation on 2017. This will cater to the Postgraduate Students mainly in the Agricultural base industrial sector.

Over 300 outstanding academic staff
All courses are conducted by a distinguished panel of teachers who possess proven ability to teach and direct research at postgraduate level.

Over 5000 postgraduates produced
The PGIA has produced 97 Ph.D., 466 M.Phil., 3012 M.Sc., 283 MBA graduates and 945 Postgraduate Diploma holders since its inception.

Over 2000 current students
The PGIA has a multicultural composition of students, enriching its culture and providing students a diverse exposure.

Online registration at any time
Visit the application portal at www.pgia.ac.lk for more details.

International Collaborations
Many research projects are often carried out in collaboration with reputed foreign institutions and the student receive the benefits of exposure and interaction.

Supplementary funds
The PGIA has established a fund (Research Facilitation Fund) from its own resources to provide supplementary funds for student research.

Well-equipped Laboratory Facilities
Extensive lab facilities are available to PGIA students. There are well equipped chemical analysis laboratories, tissue culture laboratories, PCR machines etc.

Library Facilities
The main objective of the PGIA Library is to strengthen the agriculture education and research programs of the University of Peradeniya with the provision of information in print, non-print, and electronic media.

Computer Centers
The Computer Unit of the PGIA is regularly expanded and upgraded. It now consists of 03 laboratories with capacity for over 100 users.

Sports facilities
The University of Peradeniya boasts of the largest sports complex of any University in Sri Lanka. As a student of PGIA, you are entitled to enjoy all sports facilities available on University of Peradeniya.

PASA
Postgraduate Agriculture Students’ Association (PASA)
The student body of the PGIA. An active promoter of students’ unity and creativity carrying out various social and communal activities.
Board of Studies and Programmes on Offer

The Board of Study concentrates on research and outreach projects that confirm to the national research institutes in the country to foster partnerships to strengthen the postgraduate education in related disciplines.

Agricultural Biology
- Plant Biology Conservation and Breeding
- Biotechnology

Agricultural Economics
- Agricultural Economics
- Environmental Economics
- Natural Resource Management
- Postgraduate Diploma in Development Practice & Management

Agricultural Engineering
- Board of Study in Agricultural Engineering plays a significant role in agricultural higher education in Sri Lanka by offering courses covering Agricultural Engineering related disciplines
- Agricultural and Bio-systems Engineering
- Geographical Information System

Agricultural Extension
- Integrated Water Resources Management
- Agricultural and Bio-systems Engineering
- Geographical Information System

Animal Science
- Organisation Management
- Development Communication and Extension

Business Administration
- The Peradeniya MBA program was initiated in 1998 with the support of University of Strirling (U.K) and through the Higher Education Link Program of the British Council. Today it is upholding uncompromising standard in quality and its goal to teach business administration that is reflective of Sri Lanka

Crop Science
- Board offers courses in a diverse range of areas within the preview of Crop Science.
- Research works carried out in fulfillment of its research.
- Applied Statistics
- Bio-statistics
- Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Statistics

Food Science & Technology
- Objective to produce manpower capable of handling the technical, advisory marketing, and managerial functions of the food industry and taking up research leading to product development.
- Food Science & Technology
- Food and Nutrition

Plant Protection
- Is to educate and train postgraduates on theoretical and practical aspects of plant protection and to give leadership in this field in government and private agriculture sectors of the country.
- Plant Protection Technology
- Molecular and Applied Microbiology

Soil Science
- Developing research skills of postgraduate students, providing with an in-depth knowledge on theoretical aspects and wide practical exposure on applications in soil sciences.
- Environmental Soil Science
- Tropical Soil Management
- Soil and Environmental Microbiology