Doctor of Philosophy Programme in Multicultural Studies (International Programme)

Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia

Admission Requirements

A candidate must:

1. Hold a Master’s degree in related fields with a minimum grade point average of 3.50
2. Students with work experiences in related fields or have published in recognized national or international academic journals in the past 5 years will be given special consideration.
3. Have a TOEFL ITP score of at least 500, TOEFL Internet-based score of 61 or IELTS score of 5.

Those who do not have any of the test score specified above will have to take the English Proficiency Examination of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on the specified examination day.

Exemptions from the above conditions may be granted by the Programme Committee and the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies under exceptional circumstances.

Curriculum Structure

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Additional advantages of the programme

The Ph.D. Program in Multicultural Studies offers a comprehensive curriculum exploring issues of ethno-cultural diversity and citizenship in Thailand and ASEAN countries, China and India. It provides students with theoretical tools and practical training for advanced research on ethnic and religious diversity, citizenship and rights, involving research on ethnic groups, minorities, migrants, refugees, stateless populations and cultural communities in Thailand and ASEAN countries. The program’s issue-based approach allows students to investigate their topics of interest from interdisciplinary perspectives drawing on anthropology, history, cultural studies, public policy, development studies, law, education, religion, languages and literature. The program is designed to enrich cross-cultural learning environment and constructive dialogues among students from various cultural and professional backgrounds. Practitioners of governmental, non-governmental and religious organizations as well as social and policy analysts will benefit from deepening their knowledge on cultural diversity and enhancing their skills in carrying out social research.

Proposal / Concept Paper

Please submit a research statement outlining a potential research project the applicant may undertake for their Ph.D. thesis. This research statement will contain:

1. an outline and overview of the issue which is to be investigated
2. a brief review of related literature or research which has been conducted in this area.
3. research objectives, relevance, and contribution.
4. potential research methods intended to undertake this project and potential research site (if applicable)
5. bibliography

Research statement should demonstrate the applicant’s research and writing skills. It should be about 1,000-1,500 words excluding bibliography.

Additional information for applicants

We are open for applications year-round. Student may start in January or August 2013.

Job option after graduation

Practitioners in governmental, non-governmental, religious, and international organizations. Academics and researchers.
Application Process
Application is only available via online application at www.grad.mahidol.ac.th.

Required Documents
Prepare the following required documents to submit via online admission system or post:

1. Completed an Online Application at www.grad.mahidol.ac.th which comprised with
   - Form A: Application Form
   - Form B: Background and Proposed Field of Study
   - Form C: Recommendation Forms (directly submitted by at least 2 referees)
2. Two copies of Degree Certificate (with officially certified English translation)
3. Two copies of Academic Transcript (with officially certified English translation)
4. Two copies of Recent Photos (Passport size)
5. Two copies of Passport
6. Two copies of English certificate (TOEFL/IELTS/MU-Grad Test)

(For Doctoral Program)
- TOEFL ITP score of at least 500, TOEFL Internet-based score of 61, or IELTS score of 5

(For Master's Program)
- TOEFL ITP score of at least 480, TOEFL Internet-based score of 54, IELTS score of 5 or MU GRAD TEST score of 60.

Notes
- Only accept TOEFL ITP score from examination center arranged by Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.
- TOEFL ITP taken from other domestic and overseas institutes are invalid.
- The test date must be within previous 2 years before application date
- Applicant who obtained a valid English score must submit an official score certificate along with your application. Otherwise, your English score will not be considered.

7. Two copies of Curriculum Vitae
8. Two copies of Statement of Purposes and Career Goals
9. Two copies of Current bank statement / Scholarship letter (if any)
10. Two copies of Concept paper / research proposal (recommended for all applicants)
11. Two copies of additional documents may be requested by each program (such as letter of work experience / professional license / related certificates and awards)

Submitting documents via online admission system.
- All documents must be in pdf format (maximum size 2 MB)
- Recent photograph must be in jpeg format only (maximum size 2 MB)

Additional Required Documents:
1. Personal Statement. A 1-2 page statement outlining the reasons why the applicant wishes to apply to this program. You may detail your professional or research interests or previous work or related experience. Please attach a sample of your related research or academic writing.
2. Current CV
3. 2 letters of recommendation
4. Full academic transcript for undergraduate degree and master degree

The required documents mentioned above can be uploaded to our website (jpeg, gif, jpg, png, pdf).
All documents must be no larger than 2 MB. You may also submit these required documents by post.
Further information may be obtained from the Website Multicultural Studies at www.lc.mahidol.ac.th/en/courses-phd-multiculture.php or

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