Doctor of Philosophy Programme in Human Rights and Peace Studies
(International Programme)

Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Faculty of Graduate Studies

Admission Requirements

Plan 1 Research Only

A candidate must:
1. graduated with a Master’s degree in any major from a recognized university,
2. have a grade point average of at least 3.00,
3. have publications in English in internationally recognized journal(s)/publication(s),
4. have a clearly defined and complete thesis plan, which is accepted as suitable to the Ph.D. level by the committee of the Ph.D. Program,
5. have a TOEFL-ITP score of at least 550, TOEFL Internet-based score of 54 or IELTS score of 6.0 or pass the English Proficiency Test arranged by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.

Plan 2 Coursework and Dissertation

A candidate must:
1. graduated with a Master’s degree in any major from a recognized university,
2. have a grade point average of at least 3.00,
3. have a clearly defined and complete thesis plan, which is accepted as suitable to the Ph.D. level by the committee of the Ph.D. Program,
4. have a TOEFL-ITP score of at least 550, TOEFL Internet-based score of 54 or IELTS score of 6.0 or pass the English Proficiency Test arranged by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.

Exemption from the above conditions may be granted by the Programme Committee under exceptional circumstances.
## Study Plan

### PLAN 1: Research Only

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NOTE: Students with master degree in one of the program’s core area:

- HPHP 610 & HPHP 611 (Exempt for students with a Masters in Human Rights area)
- HPHP 617 & HPHP 613 (Exempt for students with a Masters in Peace area)

### Additional advantages of the program

The Ph.D. in Human Rights and Peace Studies is a unique program where the developing discipline of human rights can be examined in relationship to theories of peace and conflict. While students may undertake research focusing on only one of the core areas (either human rights or peace) by completing the program, the student will have grounding in theory and practice of human rights and peace, and their interrelationship. Students in the program will gain a developed knowledge of current issues in human rights and peace studies, as well as an in depth knowledge of legal, philosophical, and political contexts to peace and human rights. The program involves 1 year of course work, followed by at least 18 months of research on the Ph.D. thesis.

Candidates in this program are expected to be highly motivated individuals who are capable of initiating and undertaking large research projects on their own. They are expected to have an
Candidates should have an advanced level of English, and be competent in political and social theory. Candidates should have completed a Master's degree or equivalent.

Candidates may undertake research in a wide variety of areas related to human rights and peace at the international, regional, or national level, but particular areas of expertise include:

- Thematic Human Rights issues (for example minority rights, child rights, economic rights, or the right to development)
- Emerging issues in human rights (for example media, governance, corruption, sexuality, religion, and conflict)
- Peace studies (for example non-violence, international relations and conflict, ethnic conflict, peace and conflict transformation)

**Detail of Scholarships**

1. Mahidol - Norway Capacity Building Initiative for ASEAN (CBIA)
   (see http://www.grad.mahidol.ac.th/norway2015-2016/)
2. Research Support Fee can be partially waived for self-funded students
3. SHAPE - SEA Research Grant
   (see http://shapesea.com/thematic-areas/research/academic-research-grants/)

**Application Process**

Application is only available via online application at www.grad.mahidol.ac.th

**Application Period**

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NOTE: Late application may be considered case by case.

**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)

(For Doctoral Program)
   - TOEFL ITP score 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.
- Detail of English Competency Standard for Admission:

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)

**Additional required documents by Human Rights program to submit along application:**
- Research Statement
- Letter of motivation/ SOP
- Reference(s) form (at least 1 academic reference and 1 professional reference)
- Internationally recognized journal(s) /publication(s) (required for PhD by Research Only Plan)

**Job option after graduation**
This PhD programme gives you a solid basis for professional and practical human rights and peace works, for instance in government agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), researcher, lecturer, conflict management expert, etc.

Former students of the programme include human rights field workers, employees of international organizations, non-governmental organizations, researchers as well as lecturers in universities.

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