# Co-tutelle for postgraduate studies



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### Joint-PhDs

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- Why do you want to do it?
- If you want to do it, how do you do it?
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### Joint-PhDs

 Joint-PhDs mean that you are fully registered in two universities, having to comply with admission requirements and assessment regulations at both institutions.

 It will result either in two PhD degrees (double PhD) or one jointly-awarded PhD (one diploma with the two university logos).

http://www.findaphd.com/advice/phd-types/joint-phds.aspx

### Co-tutelle

- Originally a French concept, which involved jointsupervision
- A term still used today, meaning indiscriminately double- or joint-PhD
- Most often joint-PhDs are a means for two universities to strengthen a research collaboration.

### Other benefits

- Access to complementary facilities and resources
- Exposure to two cultural approaches to research
- Enhanced acquisition of research and transferable skills, such as negotiation skills, use of videoconferencing, adaptability
- Better networking opportunities for future job prospects

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## **Steps for Joint-PhDs**

- Research collaboration
- Faculty and university collaboration (MOU)
- TQF & Office of Higher Education
- Track monitoring of students and advisors



## Research collaboration



## Faculty and University Collaboration (MOU)







- Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, MU
- Faculty of Graduate Studies, MU
- Mahidol University (International Relations)

#### MOU

- Article I Joint Supervision and Certification of a Doctorate
- Article 2 Admission and Enrolment
- Article 3 –Tuition fees and Stipend
- Article 4 Language of the doctoral dissertation and examination.
- Article 5 Examination board for the doctoral examination.
- Article 6 Defense of the doctoral dissertation.
- Article 7 Certification/award.
- Article 8 Records Maintenance
- Article 9 Insurance
- Article 10 Protection of the research results and intellectual property rights.
- Article 11 Compliance with immigration laws and regulations and export controls
- Article 12 Disputes
- Article 13 All writings contained herein
- Article 14 Commencement, validity period and amendments of the agreement

## **MOU for double PhD Program**

- National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan
- Tzu Chi University , Taiwan
- Kyungpook National University, South Korea
- Kobe University, Japan
- Murdoch University, Australia











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