

Announcement of Mahidol University on English Proficiency Standards for Undergraduate Students, Mahidol University, B.E. 2563

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In order for Mahidol University to set up the English proficiency standards of undergraduate students in compliance with the announcement of the Office of the Higher Education Commission on the Policy of Improving English standard in Higher Education Institutions, dated 12 April B.E. 2559, which indicates that higher education institutions should place the policy and objectives on enhancing the English standard of all programs and in all education levels in the institutions as the guidelines for the students' English skills and proficiency so that they become the graduates who excel in knowledge and abilities both in academic and vocational aspects, and with practical skills in English communication. To follow the policy, to have objectives with indicators, and to have clear evaluation, plans must be conducted.

As empowered by virtue of Item 19/1 of Mahidol University Regulations on Diploma and Undergraduate Studies (Issue 5) B.E. 2559 and the resolution of the 7/2563 Mahidol University Executives Board Meeting, dated 10 March B.E. 2563, the President announces the following.

Item 1 These announcements are annulled.

- 1.1 Announcement of Mahidol University on English Proficiency Standards for Undergraduate Students, Mahidol University B.E. 2560, dated 10 November B.E. 2560
- 1.2 Announcement of Mahidol University on English Proficiency Standards for Undergraduate Students, Mahidol University (Issue 2) B.E. 2562, dated 9 August B.E. 2562
- 1.3 Announcement of Mahidol University on English Proficiency Standards for Undergraduate Students, Mahidol University (Issue 3) B.E. 2563, dated 1 April B.E. 2563

Item 2 All Mahidol University Undergraduate Students must be competent in English, which is equivalent to the English competence of average students based on the standards from Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR) and in accordance with the B2 level issued in the National Education Plan B.E. 2560-2574 by the Ministry of Education. The score points of English competence standards criteria are as follows:

2.1 an MU-ELT	at 84	or above or
2.2 a TOEIC	at 600	or above or
2.3 a TOEFL iBT	at 64	or above or
2.4 an IELTS	at 5.0	or above or
2.5 an MU GRAD Test	at 70	or above or

(Students who intend to apply the test results to further their studies and at the graduate education at Mahidol University must have a test score as required in the Announcement on English Competence Standards for Graduate Students, Mahidol University.)

2.6 a TOEFL ITP

at 500 or above or

(held by Mahidol University)

2.7 an MU-ELT (only reading skill) at 42 or above

(for students who have hearing impairment and limitations of listening and speaking)

However, if a particular program regulates higher score results than the aforementioned

score points, follow the program's score points.

Item 3 The University will arrange an MU-ELT every semester.

Item 4 The University will arrange an MU-ELT for all first year students once for free of charge. This starts from the academic year 2020 onwards.

Item 5 Before graduation, the students can take a test every semester. The students should submit the score results following one of the choices mentioned in Item 2 within two years after the undergraduate enrolment in Mahidol University. This gives students time to enhance or improve their English competency before they graduate.

Item 6 The fees for taking a test held by the University in Item 3 are as follows:

6.1 An MU-ELT fee in the Academic Year 2017-2020 (B.E.2560-2563) is 400 baht/time/person

6.2 The students with ID 60-62 receiving B2 level or above in Speexx (a computer program helping to improve English skills) and taking an MU-ELT will be granted an MU-ELT fee waiver application, once per person.

6.3 The students with ID 63 onwards receiving B2 level or above in Speexx (a computer program helping to improve English skills) and passing the MU-ELT as designated by the University will be granted 200 baht per person for MU-ELT application.

Item 7 The students must pass the criteria of English competence standards prior to their graduation This is considered one of the requirements for the degree approval as stated in Item 20.4 of Mahidol University Regulations on Diploma and Undergraduate Studies (Issue 5) B.E. 2559.

Item 8 In the event that there is a problem with compliance with this Announcement, the President has the power to exercise jurisdiction in a course of action and the authority to make judgment.

This shall come into force with the undergraduate students from academic year 2017 onwards.

Announced on 24 September 2020

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